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State Funds For Guard Units Asked

Dallas Units Stage Parade, Field Problem

Unusually successful was the task force maneuver staged by the four Dallas Texas State Guard battalions and the Sherman battalion at Dallas August 1 through August 5.

The four participating battalions were the 19th, commanded by Lt. Col. B. F. McLain; the 29th, commanded by Lt. Col. Earle Cabell; the 35th, commanded by Lt. Col. Jeff Dickey; and the 51st, commanded by Lt. Col. Harold Younger. The 40th of Sherman is commanded by Lt. Col. John T. Noll.

Parade Highlight

A parade and review before Maj. Gen. Walton H. Walker, commanding officer of the Eighth Service Command; Brig. Gen. Arthur B. Knickerbocker, commanding general of the Texas State Guard, and Governor Coke R. Stevenson, commander-in-chief of the Texas State Guard, was the highlight of the entire event.

The first phase of the five-day program included class work which was attended by an average of 600 guardsmen from the participating battalions. The subjects covered were rifle marksmanship, the scout car and patrolling.

The bivouac area for the task force problem was the 35th Battalion's parade ground at Fair Park auditorium. Task force headquarters occupied the 35th Battalion's headquarters building in the center of the area.

Patrols Conducted

At 2100 hours August 4, the 19th and 51st Battalions conducted patrols over part of the city's industrial section adjacent to Fair Park. At 2400 hours the 35th and 29th took over the patrol. The patrol (See DALLAS, Page 2)

Guardsman Mails Out Circulars To Find Vets Jobs

One of the greatest problems facing a victorious United States is the question of re-employment of veterans when they return home.

There are estimated to be 10,000,000 men who will come home from war. Texas is estimated to have from 500,000 to 700,000 veterans who will be looking for jobs.

The Guardsman, believing that the greatest service that can be done for these fighting men is to get them back to work so they can readjust themselves to peace, has launched an extensive job-finding campaign for returned service men.

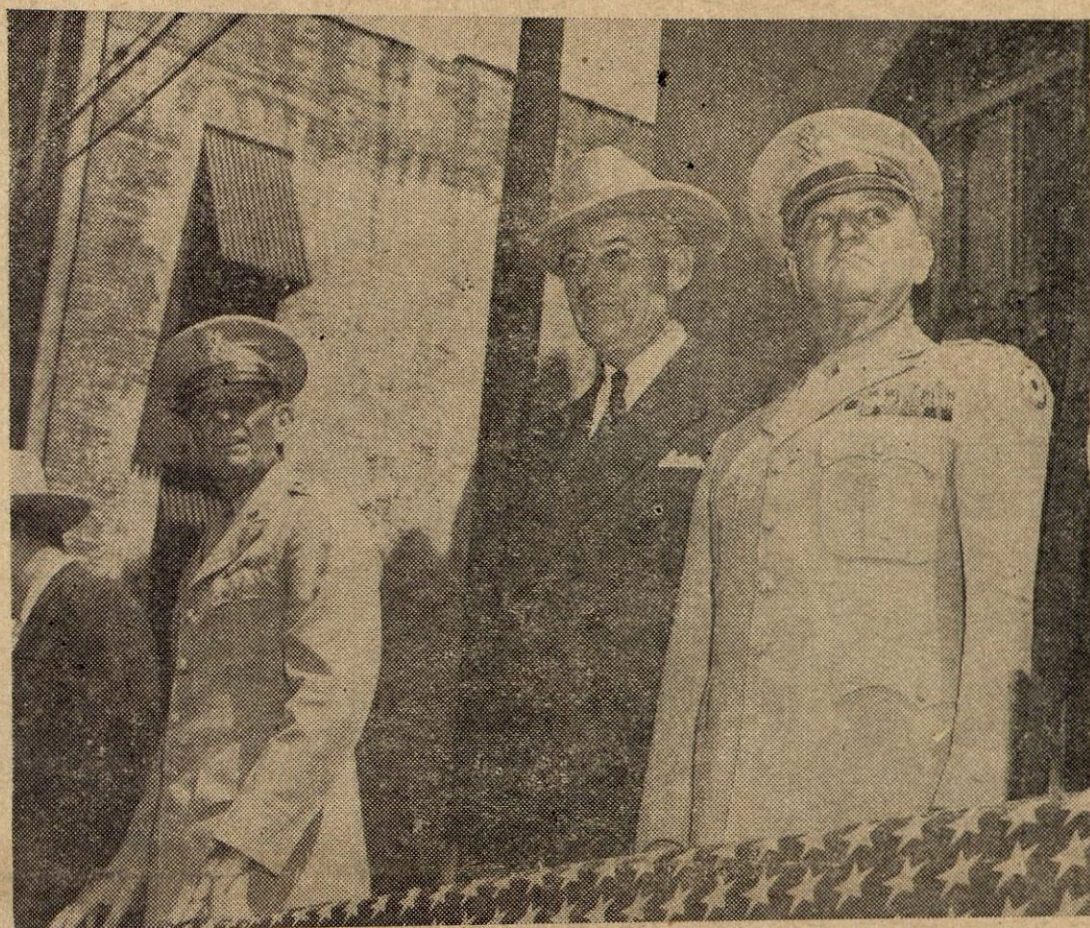
Twenty thousand circulars are being mailed out to industries over the state. These circulars ask that industries that have jobs open fill out the forms and return them to The Guardsman.

Every unit of the Texas State Guard is asked to contact The Guardsman when they hear of job openings or veterans who are looking for work.

Through the circulars it is planned to make The Guardsman a clearing house of job information and information on men who need jobs.

Your unit can help a service man by getting in step with this program.

Review Dallas Parade



The 17 block long motorized parade of the Texas State Guard in Dallas was reviewed by Brig. Gen. Arthur B. Knickerbocker, the adjutant general of Texas

(left); Governor Coke Stevenson, (center) and Lt. Gen. Walton Walker (right), commanding the Eighth Service Command at Dallas.

Keep Your Guard Up!

TO ALL TEXAS STATE GUARDSMEN:

At last, the long awaited peace with Japan is in the making. This was accomplished only by the willingness of our men to fulfill their pledge to the world that the rights and liberties of all free peoples should and would be respected.

When the signing of the peace terms is completed, the responsibilities of the Texas State Guard will have increased. We, too, have a pledge to fulfill. We have dedicated ourselves to the task of maintaining law and order on the home front, to the protection of the families and properties of those men who made this peace possible.

History has proven to us that the aftermath of every war has brought unrest, discontentment, and turmoil to the home front. Our job is to prevent such conditions. In order to keep faith with those returning soldiers we must continue our efforts to prepare ourselves for any emergency.

KEEP YOUR GUARD UP!

Sincerely,

COKE R. STEVENSON,
Commander in Chief,
Texas State Guard.

By **LIEUTENANT GENERAL WALTON H. WALKER**
Commanding General Eighth Service Command

During the war years, responsibility for homefront protection in Texas has rested on the Texas State Guard. Though purely an activity of the state, the Guard is important to the Army. Ready for action in any domestic emergency, it has freed federal forces for uninterrupted pursuit of the war abroad.

Even though the war has ended, this nation's obligations outside the continental limits of the United States—the occupation of conquered territory and other similar commitments—will undoubtedly be the chief and competently trained internal security force, such as the Texas State Guard has shown itself to be, will likely continue for an indefinite period in the future.

Governor Gets Resolution Of Officers Ass'n

A day and night was crammed with business by 85 officers of the Texas State Guard, members of the Texas State Guard Officers Association, in a meeting at Houston August 18 and 19.

High among the accomplishments of the meeting were:

1. Passage with only three dissenting votes of a resolution asking the governor of Texas to appropriate from the emergency funds of the state funds adequate to care for local expenses of the guard units.

2. Decision to hold the next annual convention of the Texas State Guard Officers Association at Austin October 20 and 21.

3. A rousing vote of confidence in Lt. Col. Edward R. Konken of Houston, president of the association, and an expression of thanks to him for the untiring efforts he has expended on behalf of the guard.

4. A frank appraisal of the post-war status of the guard which may serve as the groundwork for future discussions and serve as a guiding mark for the commanders of the guard.

5. A report by Lt. Col. Samuel R. Haggard, managing director of The Texas Guardsman, official publication of the guard, which showed that the publication is in a healthy financial condition.

6. A general clarification of a number of behind-the-scenes rumors which had been floating about even in the hotel corridors before the meeting convened.

Probably the most outspoken speeches were made on the topic of what is to become of the Texas State Guard now that the war with Japan has been won.

This was crystallized in the passage of the resolution which seeks to find means for carrying on local expenses by obtaining state funds now that city and county funds are likely to dwindle in many instances.

The resolution has been taken before Governor Coke R. Stevenson by a committee named at the meeting. This committee was instructed to make the urgent request of the governor that he act at once to save the guard from a decline which might be expected if some action was not taken.

As a whole the meeting was one of accord even though pre-meeting predictions had foreseen a stormy session.

Almost entirely lacking was any personal acrimony between groups, and harmony prevailed throughout most of the discussions.

Speakers Frank

Some speakers were frank in their references to the adjutant general's department and the general operation of the guard.

Equally frank were others on the matter of opinions about whether the guard should continue to exist as the Texas State Guard or revert to the status of the National Guard.

This latter matter was brought to the fore by a report of the post-war planning committee, made by Lt. Col. James A. Delmar of Houston.

Colonel Delmar read a newspaper dispatch from Washington in which the army was quoted as being desirous of restoring the old National

(See MEETING, Page 16)

Governor Asks Guard Survey On Cash Needs

Governor Coke Stevenson has requested Adjutant General Arthur B. Knickerbocker to make an immediate survey of the financial needs of the Texas State Guard.

News of the survey is contained in a report made by Lt. Col. Allen D. Rooke, commanding the 21st Battalion, and Captain Carl Hardin, commanding Company A, 5th Battalion, who were named at the officers association meeting in Houston on August 19 to present resolutions asking financial aid to the governor.

The report of Colonel Rooke and Captain Hardin follows:

The presentation of the resolution adopted by the officers of the Texas State Guard in attendance at the Houston called meeting was made on Friday afternoon, August 24, at 3 p. m., to the Governor and the Adjutant General in the Governor's office in the State Capitol.

The reception given your committee was cordial and cooperative. The Governor requested the Adjutant General to make an immediate survey of the financial needs of the Texas State Guard and present such survey to him. The Adjutant General stated that a similar survey completed some time ago was now inapplicable.

Your committee expects favorable action upon the matters covered in the resolution presented with the near future commensurate with the cooperation given the Adjutant General by the Unit Commanders.

Signed: Allen D. Rooke,
Lt. Col. Inf. Tex., Comdg. 21st Bn.
TSG, Chairman.

Carl C. Hardin, Jr.,
Capt. Inf. Tex., Comdg. Co. A, 5th Bn., TSG, Secretary to Committee.

Dallas—

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activities ceased at 0300 hours August 5.

During the patrol period, certain "suspicious characters" were "planted," and on arrest proved to be trouble makers. They were arrested and taken to task force headquarters for further questioning.

Matters took a serious turn when the "planted" individuals proved to be too good as actors in a cafe. The guardsmen apprehended them in the cafe and it became known that they were "suspected" of being escaped German prisoners. Patrons of the cafe objected to the acting of the "suspects" and a fight started. Capt. Frank Melton of the 29th Battalion arrived in time to rescue the "prisoners" from the enraged patrons of the cafe.

Equipment Furnished

The "suspects" were noncommissioned officers from the Eighth Service Command.

Headquarters of the Eighth Service Command made the problem more successful by loaning the guard battalions much motor equipment, which simplified transportation problems.

On the morning of August 5 a riot control problem was staged in two phases.

The first half of the problem involved the suppressing of a disorderly crowd by the 19th and 51st Battalions. The personnel of the 35th and 29th Battalions served as the crowd.

The second half of the problem involved suppression of a mob by the 29th and 35th battalions. The mob was made up of members of the 19th and 51st Battalions.

Smoke pots were used to simulate gas.

Critique Held

The first phase of the problem was carried out in very orderly fashion, but there was some "roughing" in the second phase. No one was hurt, however.

At the end of the problem a critique was held in which the task force commanders and officers of the Eighth Service Command were high in praise of the work done.

Plaques were presented to the line companies and headquarters unit having the highest average attendance and average strength ratio at the maneuver. Company D of the 51st Battalion under command of Capt. Roy G. Pender won the plaque for the line company. The 35th Battalion headquarters service unit under Capt. Remy J. Ancelin, won for the headquarters unit. The plaques were presented by Ring and Brewer, a local military clothing establishment.

High-Ranking Guests At Dallas Speak On Radio

The three high-ranking army and civilian guests at the Dallas Texas State Guard maneuver made short radio talks in the course of a broadcast over Radio Station KRLD.

The three were Governor Coke R. Stevenson, Major Gen. Walton H. Walker and Brig. Gen. Arthur B. Knickerbocker.

General Walker said: "The parade of troops and weapons of the Texas State Guard, passing this reviewing stand today, has offered impressive proof that the guard has developed itself into an efficient internal security force. The men composing it are business men and professional men, factory workers and farmers, men from large cities and men from small towns—men who, during the national emergency have given of their spare time and of their money that, in the absence of Federal troops, their state might have adequate military protection. It is a pleasure to commend these men for the evidence of responsible citizenship they exemplify and for their active patriotism."

General Knickerbocker said: "This parade of weapons and troops of the Texas State Guard is proof of the ability of the State Guard to act as an internal security force. Such a force is definitely needed now, in the absence of all other troops in the war theaters. This security force is well equipped and trained to cope with any situation that may arise in the post-war period anywhere in this great State. The men of this organization are from every walk of life, giving voluntarily of their time and efforts in the same patriotic spirit which has always been exemplified by Texans. They represent the highest type of American citizenship. The Governor and the people of the State, I am sure, are extremely proud of this fine group. It is with a distinct feeling of confidence that I witness this splendid military display."

Gover Stevenson said: "Today we witness this excellent display of military might presented by the Texas State Guard, Weapons, vehicles and personnel of eleven battalions are passing the reviewing stand at the City Hall here in Dallas. I am extremely proud of this organization, and pay tribute to the officers and men of the Guard all over the State, who give so generously of their time and money, for the building up and maintaining of a state security force. The State Guard is a preventive as well as a corrective agency. We neither want nor expect unrest or domestic disturbance in the post-war period, but if it comes, we shall be prepared to deal with it. It is with a great deal of pleasure that I am here today, to see again exemplified the fine spirit of unselfishness and patriotism shown by the Texas State Guard."

After the critique the units proceeded to their bivouac area for lunch and rest preceding the parade. The parade was definitely the climax for the many State Guard schools being conducted and consisted of the motorized units from eleven battalions.

Others Participate

In addition to the Dallas and Sherman battalion, units from Mart, Waco, Corsicana, Denton, Fort Worth and Austin participated.

Over 250 vehicles were in the

parade and approximately 1800 men. The parade left Fair Park at approximately 1430 hours on a schedule to pass the reviewing stand at 1500 hours. In the reviewing stand were Governor Stevenson, General Walker, General Knickerbocker, Mayor Rodgers of Dallas and other civilian and military dignitaries.

The Dallas Texas State Guard Unit Band under the command of Lt. Ralph Beck played during the parade adjacent to the stand.

Radio station KRLD carried a news broadcast with a word description of the parade as it passed, and Governor Stevenson, General Walker and General Knickerbocker made talks over the air during the parade in praise of the State Guard.

Leading the parade were Texas Rangers of Company B and a detachment of the Highway Patrol.

Ingleside Company Ordered Disbanded

Company D, 28th Battalion, stationed at Ingleside, has been disbanded by order of the commanding officer, the adjutant general's department announced.

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New equipment is complicated and takes a long time to make, especially when telephone factories are still loaded to the guards with war orders. With the end of the war in Europe, some new equipment is now being made. But it looks as if it will be some time before we shall have enough to take care of all who want telephones. Thanks for your patience.

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Dallas Units Stage Outstanding Display



Top left: The guard units form for the parade in downtown Dallas.

Top right: The motorized units sweep down Main Street.

Upper center, left: Notables in the reviewing stand.

Upper center, right: Officers of the 40th Battalion, Denton, watch the riot control problem.

Below: Patrol of Company D, 19th, receiving instructions from

Capt. Ed Miller on the night problem.

Lower center, left: Briefing problem, from left to right: Lt. Col. O. H. Bryant, AGO Operations Officer; Lt. Col. B. F. McLain, 19th Battalion; Lt. Earle Cabell, 29th Battalion; Lt. Col. C. T. Edwards, AGO Task Force commander; Lt. Col. Harold Younger, 51st Battalion; Lt. Col. Jeff Dickey, 35th Battalion.

Lower center right: The Dallas State Guard Band, commanded by First Lt. Ralph Beck, waiting to play for the parade Sunday.

Lower center, right: Wedge formation breaks up rioters, and below: The smoke becomes so thick that seeing was difficult. Lt. Col. B. F. McClain, commanding the 19th, rushes to a critical area in a jeep.

Bottom left: Company C, 19th, pitches tents for the bivouac.

Bottom right: This attractive State Guard window display was prepared by the Display Department of the Dallas Power and Light Company and exhibited in one of their two show windows adjoining the entrance to their building on Commerce Street in downtown Dallas, during the recent maneuver and school held in

Dallas. The display attracted considerable attention. After the exhibit in the downtown window, the display was moved to a show window in the company's suburban building on Jefferson Avenue in Oak Cliff for a ten-day showing. Company C, 19th Battalion, furnished equipment for the downtown display, while Company D, 51st Battalion, handled the Oak Cliff arrangement.

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"A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."—Article Two, Bill of Rights, from the Constitution of the United States.

Patients May Be Given Service Command Jobs

Washington.—Duty at Army facilities has been approved by the War Department for enlisted patients of general or convalescent hospitals who require at least three months' additional treatment or

observation before final disposition.

Previously, such duty away from general hospitals was authorized only for officers.

Both officer and enlisted patients of general and convalescent hospitals now will be reported to commanding generals of service commands or of the Military District of Washington for assignment on a detached service basis, if:

They volunteer for such duty.

Their physical condition and appropriate treatment do not appreciably interfere with ordinary daily activities.

The duties to which they will be assigned will benefit both the Army and themselves.

They can be exempted from the reconditioning program.

They will not require specialist supervision during the period of detached service.

General dispensary facilities are readily available at the duty station.

Legion Commander Calls For Continued Strong State Guard

Declaring that the need of a strong Texas State Guard may be more imperative in the future than it has been during time of war, Henry Love, commander of the American Legion, Department of Texas, has called on his post commanders to get solidly behind a strong campaign for guard recruits.

Commander Love's statement follows:

To ALL POST COMMANDERS:

Gentlemen:

As your Department Commander, I want to appeal to you and to your Post membership, to get solidly behind the recruiting program of the Texas State Guard, and to help them fill their ranks.

The Texas State Guard is the child of the Legion. The Legion helped form it in Texas, we sponsored the Defense Guard, later changed to the "Texas State Guard." In many places our members officered it and still do. Most of the officers in commanding positions are outstanding Legion leaders in their communities. General Knickerbocker and most of his staff are Legionnaires. We supported it when it was organized and we must do the same now.

In Texas, it has been reported that there is a falling off of interest and enlistment. Many believe that the function of the State Guard is about over.

Facts point to just the reverse. The need for a strong trained State Guard may be more imperative in the future than it has been at any time.

Reconversion, after-the-war let-down changes, and many other conditions beyond the control of the people may bring about a very urgent need for a state enforcement force. The shooting may be about over in the South Pacific but complications will arise on the home-front that may be serious.

On recommendation of the National Defense Committee the National Executive Committee of The American Legion adopted the following resolution at its meeting in Indianapolis, July 26-27-28, 1945:

"WHEREAS, the need for a strong, trained and efficient State Guard is imperative in order to guarantee the tranquility of our home communities and the strength of the State Guards is being endangered by resignations and the lack of replacements;

"BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the American Legion be urged by its National Defense Committee, through its Departments and Posts, to renew its efforts toward maintaining an adequate enlistment personnel in the various State Guard, State Militia, and that special efforts be made to assist in interesting young men, especially those exempt from regular military duty, to join and support the State Guard Units; and

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be referred to the National Executive Committee with recommendations that its purpose be made a National Policy within the Legion."

As your Department Commander, I urge you to contact your local Texas State Guard Unit Commander and to lend your assistance in every way possible in filling the ranks of his organization.

Sincerely,

s/HENRY LOVE, Department Commander.

The Adjutant Speaks

The recent called meeting of the battalion commanders, officers and directors of the Texas State Guard Officers' Association clearly shows that the officers of the Texas State Guard can work together for the best interests of the entire guard.

The manner in which the meeting was handled by President Konken and the resulting vote of confidence and appreciation given him by all of the officers at the meeting is certainly a tribute to his untiring and sincere efforts to represent the wishes of the association to the best of his ability. He is a man with whom his men and the friends who know him well, as I do, are proud to be associated.

The recent letter announcing the Federal inspection in October may be cause for a change in the dates of the convention to be held this fall in Austin. However, the date will stand and every effort is being made to secure assurances that no inspections will be called for any units on the 20th and 21st of October, when the Fifth Bat-

talion will again be the host battalion to the Texas State Guard.

The reservation letters are being prepared and will be in your hands by September 15 for you to mail to the hotels in Austin.

We can promise that this convention will be a "calendar stopper." You won't want to miss seeing the fellows again, so make your plans to be among those present.

Capt. Carl Hardin, Adj.

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Fighting Men Of 19th Bn. Are Honored

Company D, 19th Battalion, entertained several former members and service men on the evening of July 7 with a chicken dinner and stag party at their armory in Dallas. This was a real reunion for these men. Some of them had been in the service for over three years, and were all happy to see their old buddies again. The principal guests were:

Pfc. George Stanek, former corporal in D Company. He has recently returned after six months of combat with the Third Infantry. He praised his State Guard training and proudly wears his State Guard service ribbon, because the training he received on the Thompson submachine gun helped him mow down and turn back 40 Germans who were trying to capture his patrol of five men, while deep behind enemy lines. He wears the Combat Infantryman's badge, Presidential Unit Citation, Purple Heart and European Theatre ribbon with one star.

S/Sgt. Walter David, a former sergeant in D Company, was really glad to get back with his old State Guard outfit. While eating fried chicken, Walt said, "This is what I dreamed and dreamed about while in that Nazi prison camp." He was a gunner on a B-17 with the Eighth Air Force and was shot down on his seventh mission in October, 1943. The plane landed in a deep lake, and German youths shot at them, killing the co-pilot before German soldiers arrived. Sergeant David wears the Purple Heart, Air Medal with cluster and ETO ribbon with one star.

Lt. Billy Burke, a former officer in D Company, was back awaiting reassignment after 56 missions over German occupied territory. He narrowly escaped death many times while navigator on a B-24. One narrow escape happened when a wheel crumpled at the end of a runway in Italy and cartwheeled with a full load of gas and bombs. Lieutenant Burke wears the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with cluster, Mediterranean Service Ribbon with seven stars and Presidential Citation with two clusters.

Sgt. Ed Thompson, former member of D Company, was home on an emergency furlough to welcome his new baby girl. Ed has been in the Army nearly three years and is now with the Eighth Service Command Rehabilitation Center at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Gene Thompson, Ed's brother, also a former member of D Company, served ten months with the Infantry before he was discharged.

Seaman James T. Davis, formerly a sergeant in D Company, was home on leave awaiting orders. He has just completed training for sea duty.

Lt. Gene Wallace, former sergeant in D Company, was unable to attend, due to a previous engagement.

Lt. Sam Busby, finance officer and former sergeant in D Company, was also unable to be with us.

"And what doctor did he have for Mike?"
"Doctor Morgan."
"Ye ain't havin' Dr. Hogan any more?"
"Indade not. Why, Dr. Hogan was sick himself last month and d'ye know what he did? He had two other doctors in. Tinks I to myself, I won't trust no doctor that can't doctor himself."

Co. D, 19th, Fetes Former Members



In the picture left to right, front row: J. T. Davis, USN Seaman 3/c; Eugene Thompson, discharged, U. S. Army. Back row: E. H. Miller, Jr., company commander; George Stanek, Pfc., U. S. Army; Walter David, S/Sgt. U. S. Army Air Corps; Bill Burke, 1st Lt., U. S. Army Air Corps; Ed Thompson, Sgt. U. S. Army; Harold B. Younger, Lt. Col. 51st Battalion, former company commander.

Baseball Grenade Adopted For MPs

Washington—The Chemical Warfare Service has adopted a new "baseball" grenade which any young baseball playing American can throw without practice.

It is charged with a new tear gas and will be used by MPs to disperse crowds and riots.

The tosser grabs the grenade with thumb or index finger over a projection plub. The soldier pulls a pin and then throws it like he would a baseball.

When the grenade leaves his hand the plug is forced out by a spring and a two-second fuse goes into action. A small bursting

charge breaks the thin plastic case and tosses the tear gas in the form of a fine powder spray.

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1st Sgt.: "Occasionally."
Medic: "Got a cigarette?"

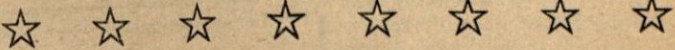
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The Mayor and entire official family of the City of Laredo hereby extend their most sincere congratulations to the 13th Battalion, Texas State Guard, on their contributions to internal security.

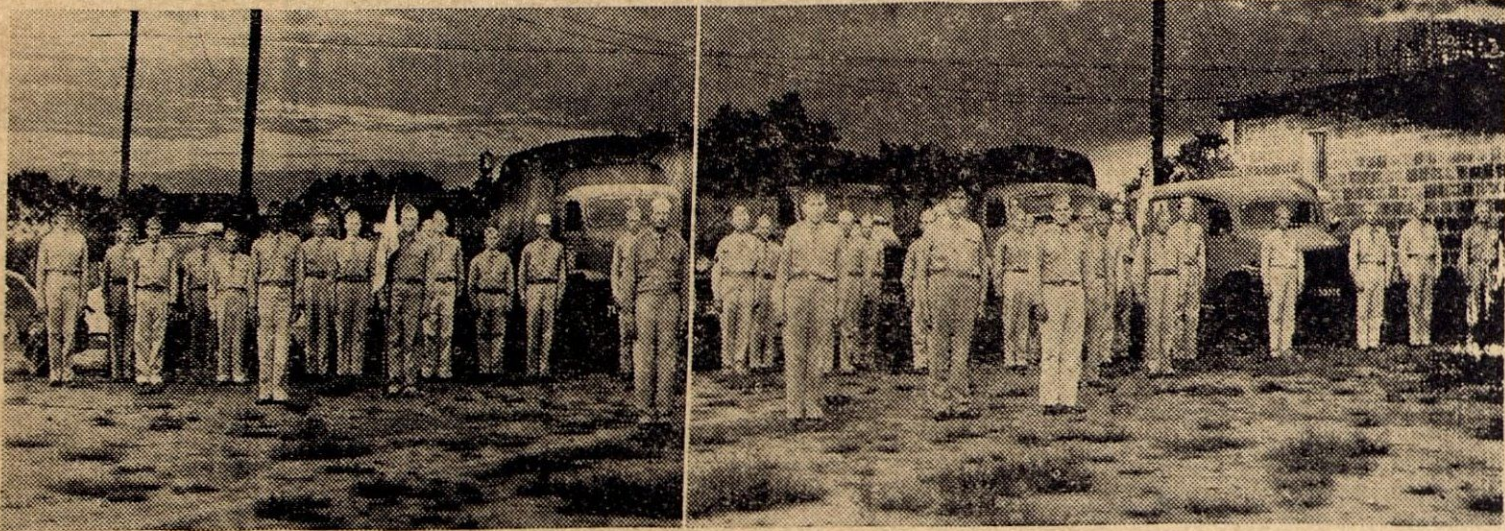
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Service Ribbons Awarded To 15th Battalion



Capt. Melvin L. Belknap; Headquarters Detachment in the center, under command of First Lt. Cortez Phillips; and Medical Detachment on the right, under command of Major Hubert H. Cartwright.

Three-Year Bronze Star Ribbons were presented to the following men:

Major Allen J. Buchanan, Headquarters; Major Hubert H. Cartwright, Medical Detachment; Capt. Benson M. Kingston, Headquarters; Capt. Melvin L. Belknap, Service Detachment; Capt. Bruce W. Snider, Medical Detachment; T/Sgt. Claud E. Hood, Medical Detachment; Cpl. Chas. H. Deere, Service Detachment.

Service Ribbons denoting from one to two years service and longer were presented to a number of men. Several of these soon will receive their Bronze Stars.

15th Battalion Bivouacs At Camp Wolters

By LT. CORTEZ PHILLIPS
The second Range Training formation to be held within the 15th Battalion, Texas State Guard, during the summer months was held on July 14-15. The latest formation consisted of an overnight bivouac within the Camp Wolters bivouac area.

Trucks, with drivers, were dispatched by Capt. Melvin L. Belknap, commanding officer of Service Detachment, to Ranger and Dublin to convoy personnel of these units to the rendezvous point at Mineral Wells. The personnel of Company C, site of the heavy weapons company of the 15th Battalion, moved out by scout car and personal commanded cars. Two reconnaissance cars, an ambulance and one truck were used in conveying Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Medical Detachment and Service Detachment from Breckenridge.

Rendezvous was established at Company E armory, Mineral Wells, and all units promptly moved to the bivouac area at Camp Wolters. Tents were pitched in an orderly manner, the camp site being later inspected by Lt. Col. Brewster, commanding the 15th Battalion.

Security was provided for by Capt. Ernest F. Latham, commanding Company B, Ranger, who drew men from all units for this training. Guard duty was maintained throughout the night, men from all units coming in for a share of this training. Breakfast was prepared by mess sergeants from Company E, Mineral Wells.

The morning and afternoon of the 15th was devoted to further training in rifle marksmanship and pit details. Prizes were offered for first, second and third best scores.

First Sgt. Marshall Moreland, Service Detachment, Breckenridge, carried off first prize in this contest. Pvt. James B. Kennedy, Head-

quarters Detachment, Breckenridge, had the second best score. Three men were tied for third place, Sgt. Benny H. Burnett, Company C, Stephenville; Sgt. Aaron Hull, Company E, Mineral Wells, and Staff Sgt. R. M. Estill, Company E, Mineral Wells, being winners of third place money.

This second Range Training formation of the summer, together with the added attraction of an overnight bivouac, proved as highly successful as that held in May, in which no bivouac was attempted. Attendance came up to expectations, despite the hot weather, and Lt. James R. Brewster, commanding the 15th Battalion, expressed himself as being highly pleased with the turnout.

The above picture was made recently during a formal presentation of Service Ribbons to personnel of Service Detachment, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment and Medical Detachment, 15th Battalion, Breckenridge. Pictured staff officers, front row, left to right: Lt. Col. James R. Brewster, commanding 15th Battalion; Major Allen J. Buchanan, executive officer; Capt. Benson M. Kingston, operations officer; and First Lt. Clarence R. Carter, intelligence and assistance operations officer. Service Detachment is pictured

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Company A, Sixth Battalion, Holds Overnight Bivouac

In response to requests from enlisted men of Company A, 6th Battalion, at Lampasas, Capt. Luther B. Rice, commanding officer, ordered a bivouac for the company for the night of July 14. Men reported to the bivouac area, which was some three miles from Lampasas, from 6 p. m. until the early hours of the morning, depending on the hour they got off work. Tents were pitched and the various duties necessary for such a camp performed by men assigned to the job when plans were made.

Sunday morning mess call at 6 o'clock found a very hungry bunch of fellows who really "went to town" on the abundant supply of sausage and eggs, jelly, real coffee, etc.

Capt. Victor J. Janek, 6th Battalion chaplain, conducted religious services shortly after breakfast.

Sgt. Herbert R. Buchanan, range non-com, supervised a small bore firing practice and friendly contest. Cpl. Thos. L. Davis and T/4 Carl Jones tied with a score of 67 of a possible 75. Sgt. Clarence Darnell was third with a 64.

Tents came down, packs were rolled and the men started for home by noon.

Capt. Rice, Lts. Chas. W. Rathman and Clyde A. Northington were all on hand to instruct and assist the men.

"Gosh, your daughter's growing fast."
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Appointment of Kern Tips of Houston, attended Texas A. & M. College and the Rice Institute, entering newspaper work while still in high school in Houston. He was a reporter on The Post starting in 1919, and after completing his studies became sports editor of The Chronicle in 1926, continuing in that capacity until 1934, when he entered radio work and became

manager of Radio Station KPRC, in Houston. Tips had begun in radio as a sportscaster in 1928, and had a nightly newscast for four years, from 1930 to 1933.

Now manager of KPRC, Tips has been identified with a number of civic enterprises for the past several years. He was appointed director of the Office of Civilian Defense of Harris County in 1943, and still serves voluntarily as head of the Municipal Defense department of the City of Houston. Tips also completed a term as president of the Houston Rotary Club this year, and serves on its board at this time. In addition to his managerial chores with KPRC, Tips also broadcasts football games each fall, and has been heard on a number of nationwide broadcasts as well as internationally to the armed forces

overseas on the short wave facilities of the Armed Forces Radio Service.

The playboy, noticing a dazzling redhead sitting in the lobby of a swank hotel, walked confidently up to the desk and registered as man and wife. A few moments later he was talking to the gal.

At the end of the week the clerk handed him a bill for \$800.

"Why," he howled, "I've only been here three days."

"I know," said the clerk, "but your wife has been here two months."

Gal: "Am I the first girl you ever kissed?"

GI: "Now that you mention it, you do look familiar."

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Galveston Is "Playground Of Southwest"

Galveston, thronged this summer with servicemen and civilian tourists, is looking forward to a post-war tourist trade unprecedented in its long history as the "Playground of the Southwest."

State highway department experts expect tourist travel to Galveston to double within the next ten years. Before the days of gas and tire rationing, 39,000 vehicles crossed the causeway on peak vacation days. Double this number means a tremendous influx of tourists to the isle.

Even in wartime thousands of out-of-state residents and many from other nations visit Galveston annually on their vacations and for week-end stays. Officials estimate that one million persons visited Galveston during 1941, before the outbreak of war.

And it is not without reason that tourists flock to the island city. First on Galveston's long list of advantages is its broad expanse of white sand forming what has been described as the most beautiful natural beach in the world. It stretches for more than 20 miles, Galveston Island's length, ideal for sun bathing and beach games.

Crystal blue waters, broken by white caps and gradually deepening with the island's slope into the Gulf of Mexico, attract hundreds of bathers. The long beach is dotted with multi-colored umbrellas. Ideal year-round weather added to these give Galveston justification for its claim of being "island paradise of the Southwest."

But far from depending on these natural advantages, Galveston leaders have taken steps to make the city one of the top resort and convention centers of the United States.

Now under way is a post-war plan to make Galveston's famed seawall boulevard the best lighted in the world. Subscriptions for the beach illumination already near the half-way mark in the \$70,000 campaign begun by the Chamber of Commerce.

More than 30 blocks of beach will be illuminated by four lighting standards to the block, with special floodlights for the piers and other popular congregating places. In addition to giving white light sufficient to read by, vari-colored lights will be beamed across the seawall and there will be ample light for night swimming.

Stewart Beach, modeled after the famous Jones Beach on Long Island, opened four years ago with a wide variety of pleasure facilities. It boasts a boardwalk, roller skating rink, many beach games, bathing rooms to prepare visitors for the finest surf bathing in the nation, clean glistening sands, bright "dugout" umbrellas and surf floats, food bar and soda fountain, picnic space and parking ground.

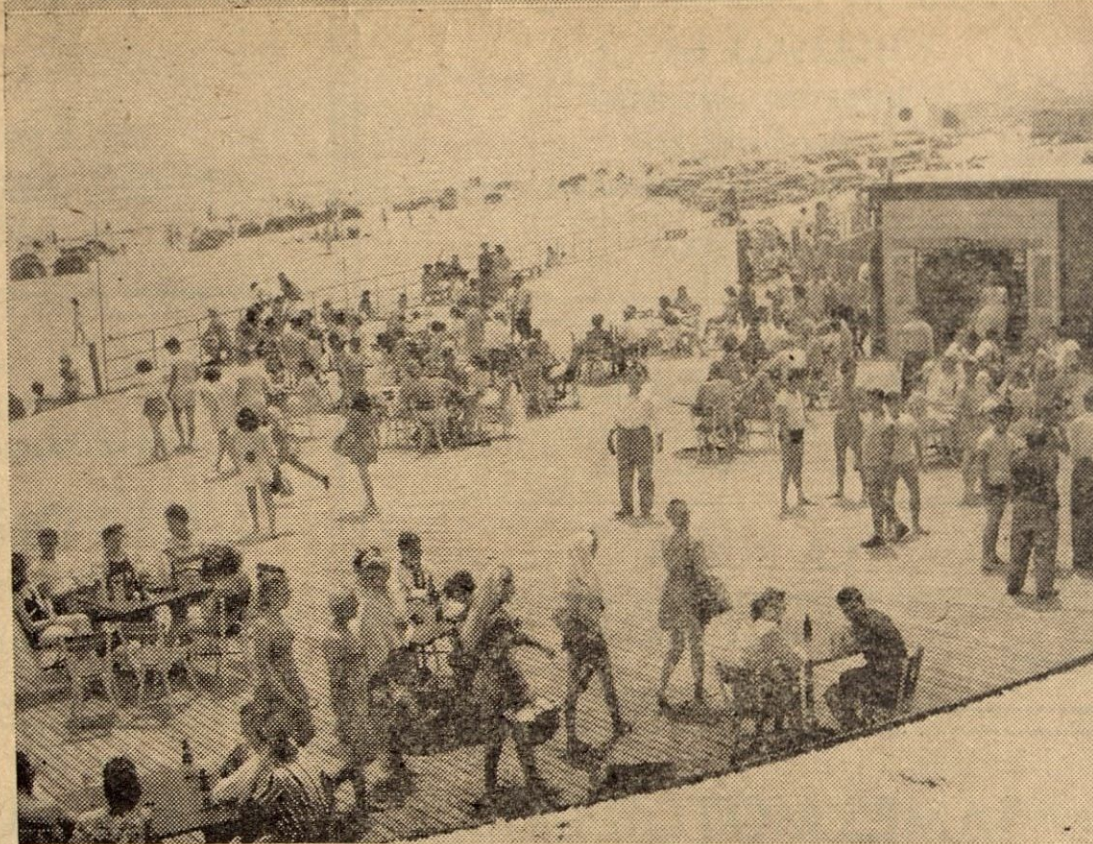
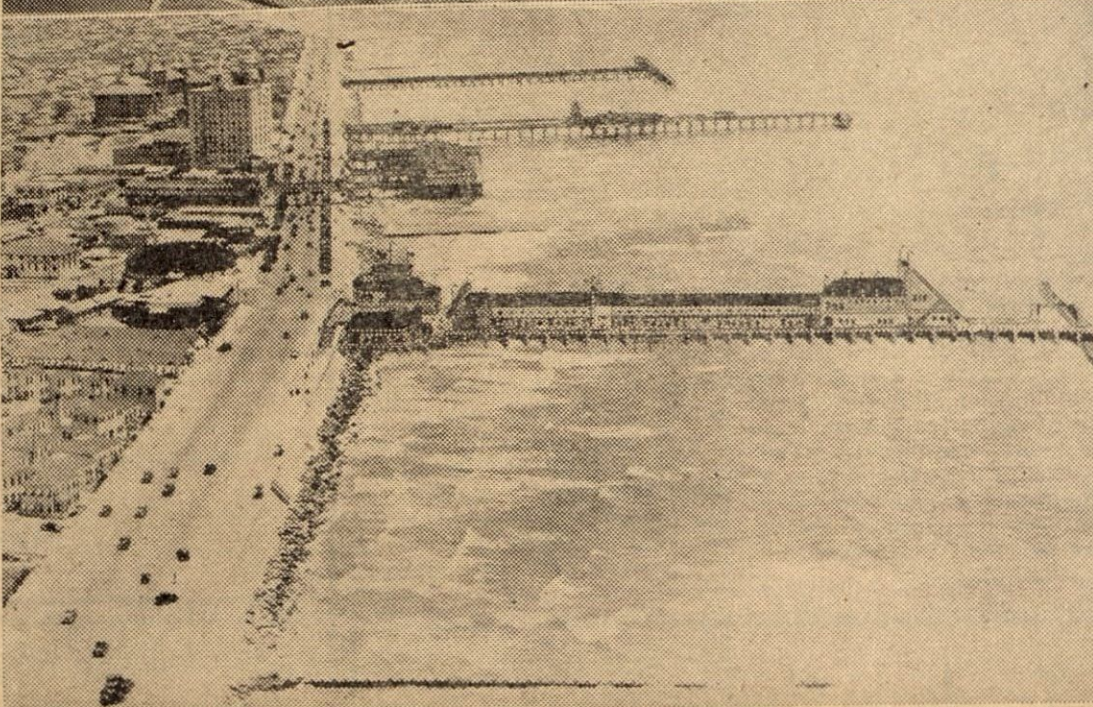
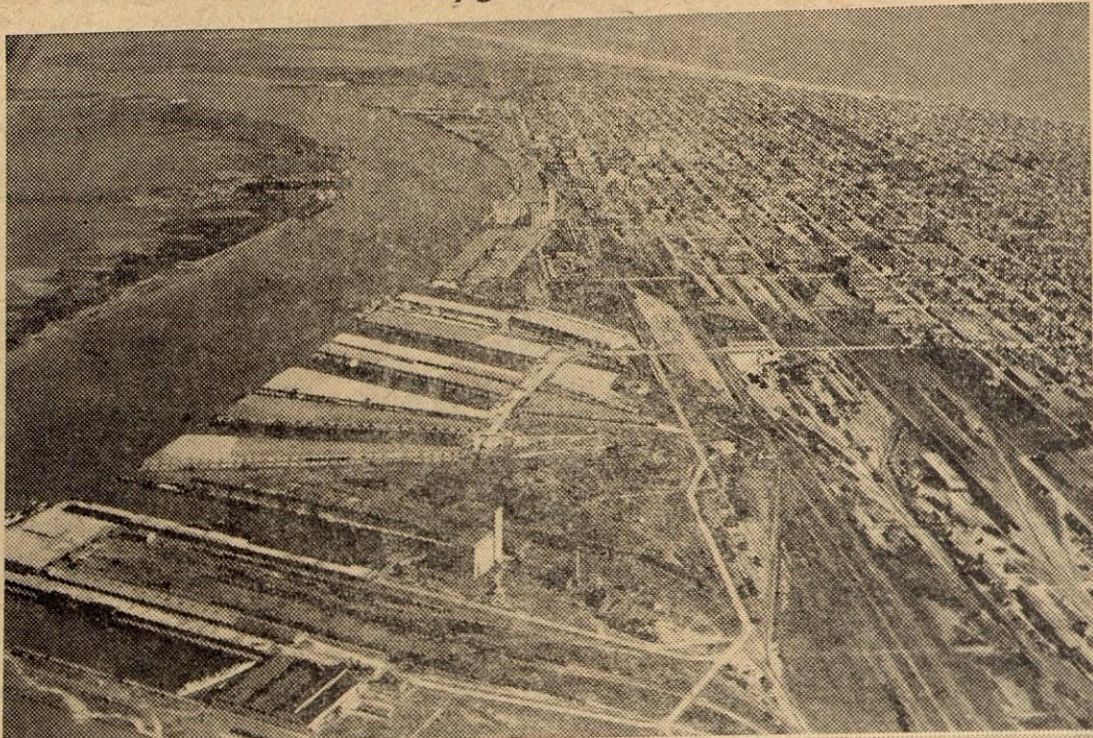
\$1,500,000 Pleasure Pier

One of the finest pleasure piers in the country has been completed recently in the gulf at a cost of \$1,500,000. The RFC supplied \$1,100,000 and the city the remainder.

Built to withstand winds of hurricane force, it includes an outdoor stadium for reviewing aquatic sports events, a dance hall for 1300 couples, a theatre which will seat 1500 persons, a marine room and exhibit hall which will provide

(See Column 5)

Port And Playground Of Southwest



Top: Air view of the port of Galveston showing a portion of the docks facilities providing berthing space for 100 ocean-going vessels. Galveston is known as "America's Port of Quickest Dispatch."

Center: Galveston, in order to maintain its position as one of the finest resort centers in Amer-

ica, has erected a \$1,500,000 municipal pleasure pier. Approximately 225 feet wide at the boulevard end and extending into the gulf 1300 feet, it provides year-around facilities and accommodations for young and old.

In the foreground is shown that famed seven and one-half mile seawall, which not only

serves as a protectorate, but provides an ideal promenade and rendezvous for the thousands of milling sightseers flocking to this resort city.

In the background can be seen two of the city's outstanding hostels, the Galvez and Buccaneer, whereas on the extreme rear can be noted Stewart Beach,

ample space for conventions and other meetings with seating capacity of 6000 persons and facilities for fishing.

Each year thousands of visitors come to Galveston for district, state and national meetings of various trade, fraternal, political and civic organizations and even more groups are expected in the future. Galveston's two great beach hotels, the Buccaneer and Galvez, are able to handle large conventions and large delegations of visitors. For the largest conventions the city auditorium, seating 5000, is available.

In 1941, when peacetime activity was in full swing, 52 conventions came to the city, bringing 25,000 delegates as visitors.

Modern Accommodations

Adding to the resort's popularity are the city's modern hotels and tourists apartments, operated by the National Hotel Co., a Galveston institution which operates 35 hotels and courts in the large cities of the state and nation. Galveston has 19 first class hotels with a total of 1534 rooms and 18 tourist courts with a total of 734 apartments or units.

Another great attraction is the scenic beauty of the city, which a century ago was little more than barren sand. Today oleanders and palms line esplanades which run through the city. The oleander, with more than 60 varieties of form and color, is queen of the island's flowers, semi-tropical blossoms and shrubs that make Galveston one of the nation's beauty spots.

Fishing facilities are also of the best. The county maintains a fishing pier, which with the new pleasure pier, countless boat stations in the bay and bayou and a fleet of boats for deep sea fishing, make Galveston a fisherman's paradise. Almost every kind of salt water fish is caught here, including the speckled trout, flounder, red fish, sheephead, drum, mackerel, as well as tarpon, kings, bonita, amber jacks, red snapper and other deep sea varieties.

Galveston's newest \$500,000 municipal beach playground.

Bottom: Afternoon crowd on the Boardwalk at Stewart Beach, city-owned Marine Park at Galveston.

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Bright Post War Era Seen By Galveston

The era of post-war reconstruction, viewed fearfully by many throughout the nation, may well be one of Galveston's most prosperous decades with shipping mounting in Latin-America commerce, European and Pacific reconstruction and normal trade.

For with all its far-reaching fame as a resort and medical center, Galveston is first and foremost a port—the major shipping center of the Southwest and one of the outstanding seaports of the nation.

During the war Galveston shipped munitions to Europe and the Pacific, now vast cargoes of foodstuffs and rehabilitation materials leave for the corners of the war-torn world. Cotton and wheat shipments hit high points last year.

Lend-lease and UNRRA - purchased cotton moving to liberated Europe last year sent foreign cotton exports through the port of Galveston up to 423,021 bales. This was the highest of any war year, and almost tripled exports for the 1943-44 season.

Grain exports hit an all-time high, with 8,000,000 bushels shipped through Galveston to combat famine in Europe this winter. Shipments go chiefly to army, lend-lease and UNRRA.

Port Facilities

Galveston's port facilities lie along the northern side of the island, in the protected water between the island and mainland. Wharves extend along three miles of the island, and the average distance from the wharves to the open sea is only ten miles, which vessels ordinarily make in about 40 minutes. This is in striking contrast to the long and tortuous trips which vessels must make to reach many large ports.

Principal wharves are the city-owned Galveston Wharves, with 30 shipside warehouses. Altogether the port can provide dockage for about 100 steamship. The docks are served by a terminal railway, and are well patrolled and protected against fire.

Next to cotton, grain has been the commodity which has played the most important part in the history of the port and the outstanding structure of the wharves is a 6,000,000 bushel grain elevator, one of the nation's largest.

Normally there are 69 steamship services plying between Galveston and 126 world ports, but there are now non-scheduled because of the war. Last available U. S. Engineer's reports for 1940 show the port handled a total tonnage of 4,098,371 tons, valued at \$362,995,337.

Many Exports

A large volume of sulphur is handled through the port, in addition to cotton, unmilled wheat to Europe, milled wheat to Latin-America, Europe and the Atlantic seaboard, rice, cotton seed cakes and meal, copper and zinc, staves, lumber and logs, scrap iron, steel, asphalt, carbon black, potash and livestock, coal and foodstuffs.

Raw sugar is an important import and an extensive import trade in bananas is also carried on.

Galveston is the second largest customs district in the nation, according to the U. S. Department of Commerce. Twenty-four countries normally maintain consular offices in the city.

Development of the port has accompanied by development of rail and other overland transportation systems serving the city and Galveston has become the southern terminal for all major railways railways which serve the South-

Galveston Known As "Hartford Of The South"

Prominent in business activity of Galveston since 1854, the insurance business has done much toward spreading the fame of the island as one of the important business centers of the nation.

Home offices of five large insurance companies are now located in Galveston. The status of the city as an insurance center has often caused it to be referred to as "the Hartford of the South."

Galveston is the home of the American National Insurance Company, easily the largest institution, not only in Texas, but the whole South. Organized in 1910 by W. L. Moody, Jr., who has served continuously as its president, the assets now total well over a billion dollars.

In addition, home offices of the Texas Indemnity Co., Texas Prudential Insurance Co., American Fire Insurance Company, and American Indemnity Co. are located here. Assets of these companies rank well into the millions.

west. Today there are hundreds of miles of track extending from the causeway along the waterfront side of the city—railway yards with a total capacity exceeding 10,000 cars and fast freight and passenger service to and from all parts of the United States. They include the Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe; Southern Pacific; Galveston, Houston and Henderson Railway; Missouri Pacific; Missouri-Kansas-Texas; Burlington-Rock Island.

In addition there are ten motor transport lines, fast bus service and Braniff Airlines to complete the transportation picture.

Principal Industries

Metropolitan Galveston's principal industries consist of shipping, oil refineries, shipbuilding and repair docks, grain elevators, machine shops, cotton compresses, wire and nail plant, tin smelter, chemical plants, synthetic rubber plant, flour mill, rice mill, brewery and fishing.

While many of these establishments are located in the city, a large part of the Galveston industrial area is on the mainland, where only county taxes are levied. These mainland plants also enjoy a cheap industrial gas rate, made possible through the production of a tremendous amount of natural gas in this area. Texas City, center of many mainland industries, has a payroll of more than \$1,000,000 a month.

Most important war industry in the city and a major peacetime plant is Todd-Galveston Dry Docks, Inc., employing thousands in its ship repair yard. Volume of work

Division Battles For 14,494 Hours In Pacific Area

With the 32nd Infantry Division, in Northern Luzon, P. I.—July 20 was the 32nd (Red Arrow) Infantry Division's 600th day of combat in World War II. The Division claims, on the basis of official records, that this represents the highest total of combat time amassed by any U. S. Division in any U. S. war.

July 20, Maj. Gen. William H. Gill's battle-tough veterans had had 14,494 hours of Pacific combat to their credit.

Now in its fourth year overseas, the 32nd has fought the Jap from Buna to New Guinea to Aparri on the northern tip of Luzon.

Still engaged in mopping up isolated pockets of Jap resistance in the mountains of northern Luzon, grizzled 32nd doughboys bear proudly the reputation of being among the toughest jungle and mountain fighters in the Pacific.

Unbeaten in two wars, the 32nd, a Wisconsin-Michigan National Guard outfit, won its World War II record for toughness at Buna, Saidor and Aitape in New Guinea, at Morotai in the Netherlands East Indies, and on Leyte and Luzon in the Philippines.

The Division has killed more than 32,000 Japs in its three years

has doubled in wartime and more than 500 ships passed through its yards in 1944. Now they are engaged in conversion of liberty ship to troop transports.

War industries coupled with normal growth has brought the city's population to 80,000 this year.

Military Installations

On both the island and mainland are numerous military installations, both army, navy and coast guard, which have brought thousands to the area.

Galveston's five banks are known far and wide for sound business practices and liberality. During the depression immediately following the first world war, upstate bankers often expressed astonishment at the bulk of deposits in banks here, and so firmly established were these institutions that they weathered the more severe depression which started in 1929 without so much as a bobble. The city also has the oldest national bank in the state, the First National Bank, which was chartered under the national bank act of 1863 and opened in 1865.

In addition to its other industries, Galveston's commercial fishing fleet is composed of more than 200 boats which operate far into the gulf on deep sea trips. Fish and shrimp is shipped under ice from Galveston's plants to all parts of the country.

Hot weather speeds the spread of diseases and parasites among poultry and livestock. A program of strict sanitation should be started in the spring and followed throughout the summer.

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Camera Takes In 49th Battalion Activities



Goering's Car Was "Motorized Fortress"

With the 20th Armored Division of the 7th Army, Germany.—The two-and-a-quarter ton, armor-plated Mercedes Benz that once was Goering's private vehicle has changed ownership.

The swank, powerful convertible sedan that carried Goering through his vicious, vain days of all-out aerial war in 1940 until he abandoned it because of no gas and was himself captured, soon will be rid-

den by his exact opposite, Brig. Gen. Cornelius N. Daly.

Construction of the 18-foot-long car showed how the moguls of the Third Reich lived in fear of their lives. The entire vehicle is armor-plated, while glass 1½ inches thick provide bullet-proof windows. The windshield alone weighs 175 pounds.

A sliding armor-plate top also was built into the rear to give the one-time Luftwaffe chief over-head protection if he felt he needed it.

The car looks as long as a half-track, has five forward speeds in-

Top left: The convoy lines up to move headquarters of the 49th Battalion from Galveston to Texas City.

Top center: Moving the equipment into the new station at Texas City.

Top right: The new headquarters.

Center left: Lineup at bivouac held at Galveston County park at League City.

Center: First aid being administered on the bivouac.

Center right: Mess makes a welcome break in the day's training.

Bottom: First aid men apply splints to a "broken" arm on the maneuver.



cluding overdrive, is supercharged and has a maximum speed of 125 miles per hour and 160 horsepower. When 20th soldiers found the car, it showed only 9000 miles on the

speedometer. It was a 1940 model. Over 75,000 Mexico City illiterates are learning to read and write.

"Timberwolf," Once Laredo TDG Officer, Writes From Europe

A former Laredo Texas State Guardsman, now a member of Maj. Gen. Terry Allen's famed 104th Infantry Division, the "Timberwolves," recently wrote Capt. Gerald Hildebrand, commanding officer of the 13th Battalion.

The writer of the letter was Pfc. E. Remo, who was a first lieutenant in the 13th before entering the army. His letter follows:
Halle, Germany,
Friday, 8 June, 1945.

Dear Sir:
Today I received your "Guardsman," for which I want to thank you. I must say I sure found a lot of interesting articles as mostly all of them concerned the 13th Battalion. It surely made me homesick when I read through all the history of the battalion.

Those pictures were really a good reminder of the activities and doings of the Guard.

Well, sir, in one word it was "tops."

Enclosed you will find some articles concerning the division of which I was a member. I hope you find them of interest.

While going through the Guardsman, I found a lot of changes in the battalion.

Sir, I guess in a few months we are going back to the States and hope I will be seeing you soon.

In regards to my service ribbon I received a letter from my wife and she says she did not receive it. So will you please check.

In closing, will you please say hello to Lt. Col. Petty and congratulate him for me in my behalf.

Waiting for the day that I can personally thank you for everything you have done for me, I remain,
Yours truly,
E. Remo.

She: "I wonder if you remember me? Years ago you asked me to marry you."

Absent-minded Prof: "Ah, yes, yes, yes. And did you?"

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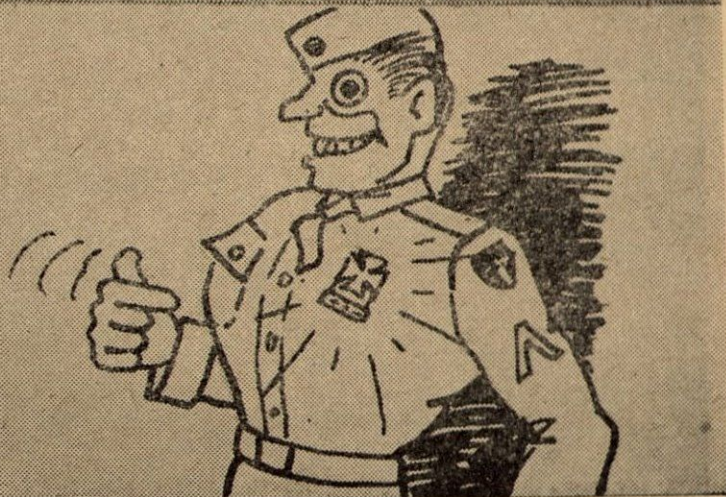
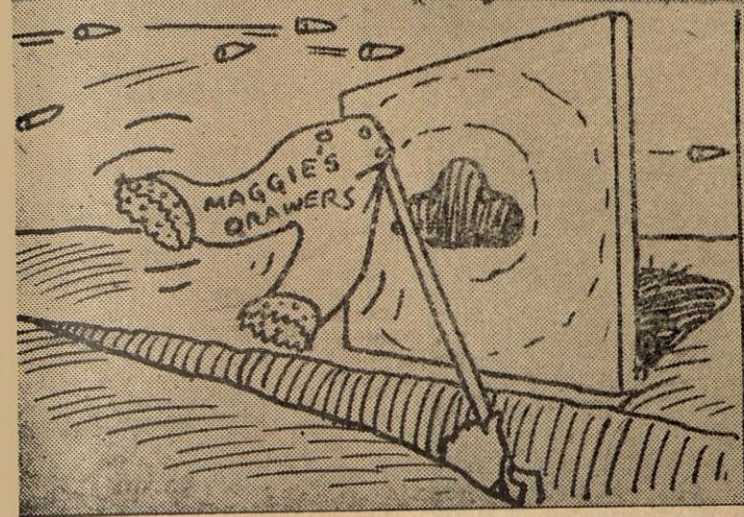
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Fifth Battalion Fires On Army Range



World War II Medal Approved

Washington—Legislation authorizing a new medal to commemorate honorable service in the armed forces during World War II, regardless of length or place of service, was passed by the House.

The bill authorizes a suitable miniature for wear on civilian clothing and permits posthumous awards.

commander: To first sergeant, S/Sgt. John L. Sullivan; to staff sergeant, Sgt. Charles M. Black; to sergeant, Cpls. Ellis Marchioni and Nichols C. Hott; to corporal, Pfc. Billy J. Brannon and Pvt. Charles H. Keenan; to private first class, Pvt. Marine R. Ross, Jr.

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Holders of Ribbons Announced By Unit

Roster of members who hold one-year ribbons and three-year service stars was compiled and announced by Company A, 49th Battalion, Galveston.

Members with 1-year ribbons and 3-year stars:

Capt. Geo. E. Heyen, Jr.
First Sgt. James A. Gainer.
Staff Sgt. Alfred R. Webster.
Sgt. Morris Melcer.
Cpl. Marvin V. Allsen.
T/5 Guillermo Martinez.
Pvt. Isaac Weiner.

Members with one-year ribbons:
Staff Sergeants: Davidscott R. Smith, Leslie T. Winters.

Sergeants: Peter C. Holst, William A. Manthei, Milton E. Scillian, Sam J. Tramonte.

Privates: Joseph J. Abraham, Ward B. Benson, Sr., Ward B. Benson, Jr., Seferino Castillo, Claud G. Cochran, Richard G. Crane, St. Elmo G. Eaves, Charles W. Foster, Telesforo Gomez, James O. Gordy, Jack E. Haines, Jesse J. Hankamer, Jesse J. Hopkins, Ivan L. Ives, Lewis W. Jones, David Knapp, Jr., Jewel A. Lawson, Patrick C. H. McDuream, Frank A. Nesmith, George

Summer clouds drift across the Camp Swift range as guardsmen of the Fifth Battalion, Austin, fire their last round at the targets in the qualifying shoot for medals on the army range. "Maggie's drawers," the red flag of a clean miss, brought down the score of guardsmen, but others held their sights on the bull's eye and now proudly wear their marksmanship medals.

GI: "I've been misbehaving and my conscience is bothering me."

Chaplain: "And you want me to give you something to strengthen your will?"

GI: "No, sir, something to weaken my conscience."

British vacation trains are packed to capacity this summer.

Australia is releasing military trucks at the rate of 250 a week.

E. Parker, Walter L. Ponder, William W. Quinn, Everett E. Rodgers, Robert W. Syler.

Dugger Ray Named Co. Commander In 32nd Battalion

The adjutant general of Texas has announced the appointment of Dugger Ray as commanding officer of Company D, 32nd Battalion, Texas State Guard. Ray has been promoted from first lieutenant to captain.

Captain Ray succeeds William E. Yarbrow as commander of the Tyler unit of the Texas State Guard. Yarbrow recently resigned his position to move away from Tyler.

Captain Ray has been active in Company D for the past three years, serving as an officer for around two and one-half years.

Nearly 5,000 acres of land are reported for sale in England.

Panama has prepared plans for electrification of the republic.

Promotions Listed By Co. B, 27th Bn.

The following promotions have been announced in Company B, 27th Battalion, Texas State Guard, by Capt. Lonnie D. Carruth, company

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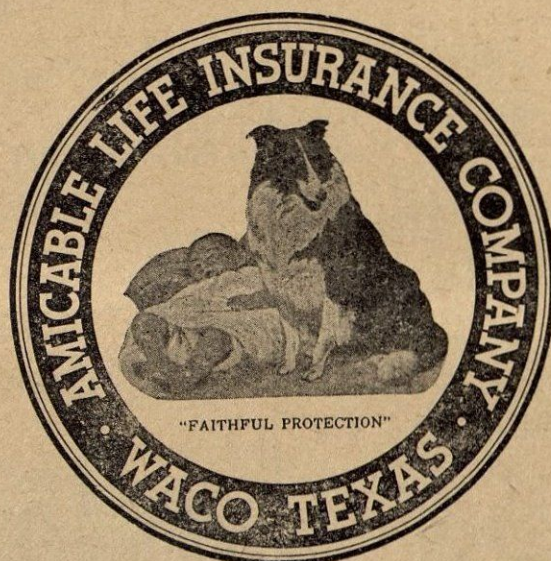
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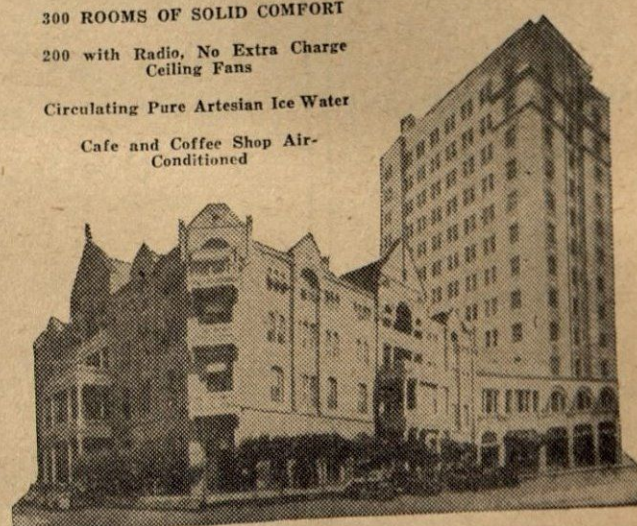
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Co. D Of 37th Acts In Two Emergencies

Two recent operations by Company D, 37th Battalion, at Palestine are covered in reports filed by the company commander, Capt. Leslie J. Reagan, with his commanding officer, Lt. Col. Joe M. Daniel of Corsicana.

The first operation dealt with the protection of a wrecked truck at Palestine and the saving of the truck's cargo. Here is a resume of that operation in Captain Reagan's own words:

"On the night of 15 May 1945 while returning to his home with his family, Pvt. Grover C. Canterbury came upon a wrecked commercial transport truck. The driver of said truck had been carried to a hospital with injuries and no one on the scene had taken command of the situation. Upon investigating the contents of said truck Private Canterbury discovered that many of the boxes were marked "30 Cal. Machine Gun." Private Canterbury immediately called me by telephone and gave a complete account of the accident, what the truck contained and the hospital to which the driver had been taken. I instructed Private Canterbury to guard the wreck, although he was out of uniform at the time, until I could get there.

"I immediately got in touch with Lieutenant Harris and he and I drove to the hospital and talked with the driver. His company (Winton Truck Lines) had a contract to haul ordnance materiel from Camp Fannin to the San Antonio Ordnance Depot and it was a shipment of 30 cal. MG, M1 rifles and 45 cal. pistols with numerous cases of spare parts and 100 gallons of lubricating oil for same that the wrecked truck contained. He requested that I take charge of said equipment until his supervisor arrived.

"I then left Lieutenant Harris to mobilize enough men to guard the equipment and went immediately to the scene of the wreck and relieved Private Canterbury. I removed all bystanders from the scene and saw that all equipment and crates were secure.

"Lieutenant Harris came to the scene in some 30 minutes with the following men: Sgt. Otis C. Kelly, Sgt. Worrall E. Zeigler, Sgt. Ernest L. Eilenberg, T/5 James M. Mack and Pvt. Claude M. Tyer.

"We placed an adequate guard about the wreck and began loading the equipment on other trucks as it was raining. After the local moving trucks that we loaded the equipment on were loaded, we placed guards on these trucks and waited until Mr. Auman of the Winton Truck Company from Tyler had arrived and then moved the equipment to a downtown store house."

The second operation was in the search for a missing woman. Here is the way Captain Reagan's report tells of the incident:

"On 21 July 1945 this company was asked by the chief of police of Palestine to assist in the search for Mrs. M. W. Etheredge of this city,

who had been missing for some 36 "I immediately contacted First Sgt. John G. McLen, in the absence of both my first and second lieutenants, and gave orders for a general mobilization of the company. At 1610 I contacted Lt. Col. Joe M.

Top: A bird's eye view of part of Palestine's bustling business district.

Center: A scene of beauty as Highway 19 winds through tree-clad, rolling hills south of Palestine.

Bottom: Headquarters of the Texas State Guard at Palestine.

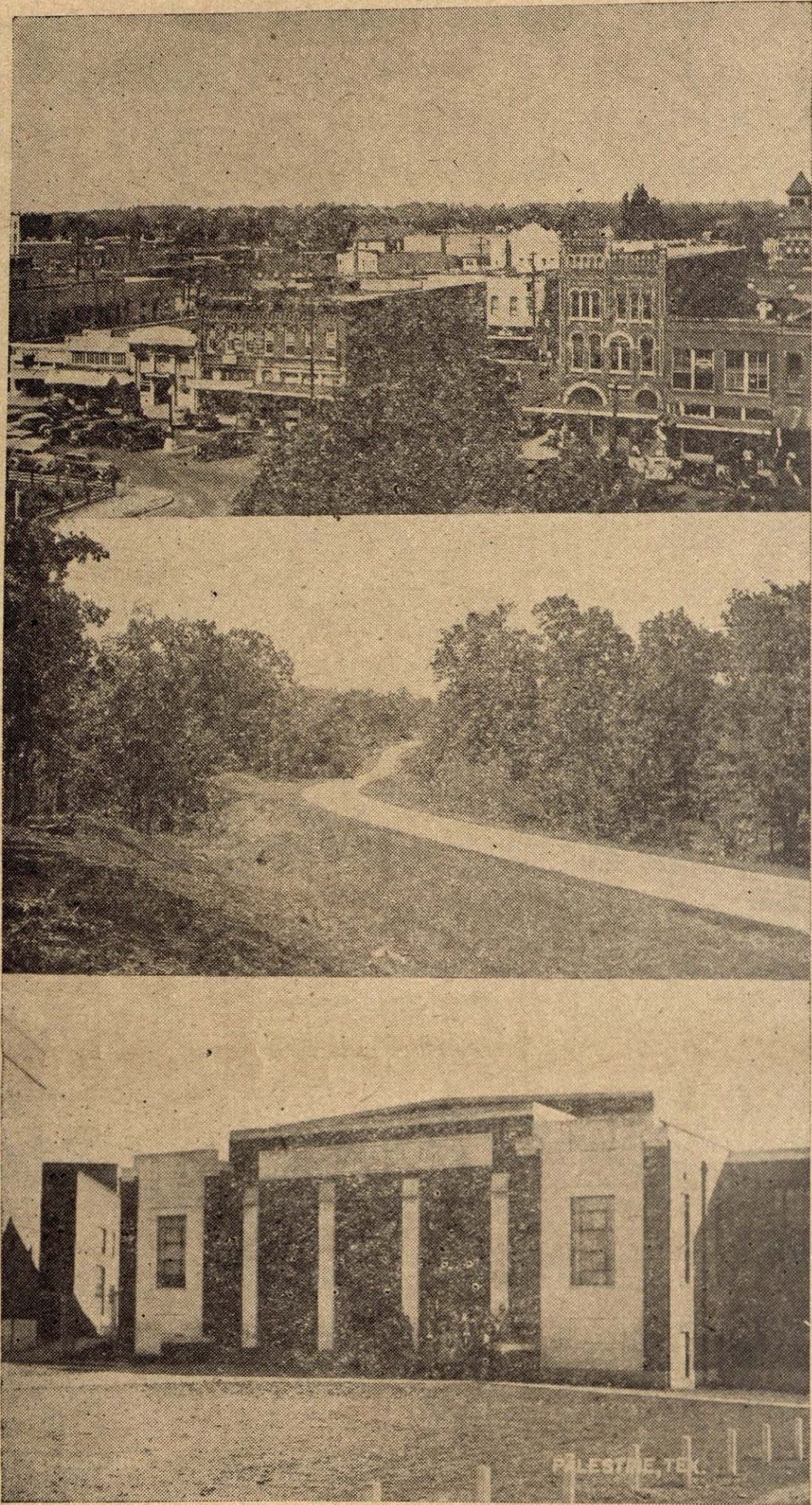
Daniel, commanding 38th Battalion, TSG, at Corsicana by phone and reported the company as being mobilized and requested his permission, which was immediately granted.

"At 1655 hours I moved out from the armory with 10 men and made a diligent search from the city limits north of Palestine for a distance of three miles on a tip received that she might be in that area.

"Second Lt. Arthur W. Harris, who had been contacted in the meantime, led the balance of the company at 1710 in a diligent search of the northern section of the city.

"The body of the woman was found by fishermen at 2000 hours in a lake adjacent to the City of Palestine but some six miles from the scene of our search. However, we were not notified of the discovery until 2100 hours after thoroughly covering six square miles of the city."

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The sergeant's discreet sensibilities were shocked as he surveyed the expanse of epidermis before him.

"Young lady," he young-ladied severely, "I should think that in the matter of dress you might show perhaps a bit more discretion."

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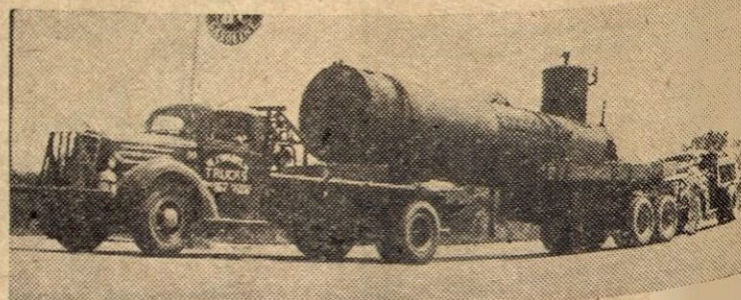
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Austin Unit Stages Rifle Shoot Course

By CAPT. WELDON HART

Austin.—The shooting game as a boost for flagging interest in the Texas State Guard will be fully tested by State Headquarters Company in a two-month program launched this week, Capt. Weldon D. Hart has announced.

Lt. Joel J. "Kayo" Cloud, veteran rifle expert and well-known teacher of marksmanship, will conduct the course primarily for benefit of present members of Headquarters Company but with an eye toward developing a program that will bring in new members.

Assisted by other outstanding shooters in the company, Lt. Cloud will review the fundamentals of rifle shooting, both big bore and .22 caliber, and conduct a number of practice shoots during August and September.

More Important Now
"Since victory has been in sight, it has been increasingly hard to keep up attendance at drills and well-nigh impossible to pick up any new men," Lt. Cloud commented, "but the State Guard is as important or more important than ever before."

"By developing a genuine shooting program that will have something for the beginner and the expert alike, we hope to give the men an extra incentive to come out—and for new men to sign up."

Discharged veterans, who would make great soldiers for the guard but who are more or less "fed up" with things military, are prospects for a "shooting company," Lt. Cloud believes.

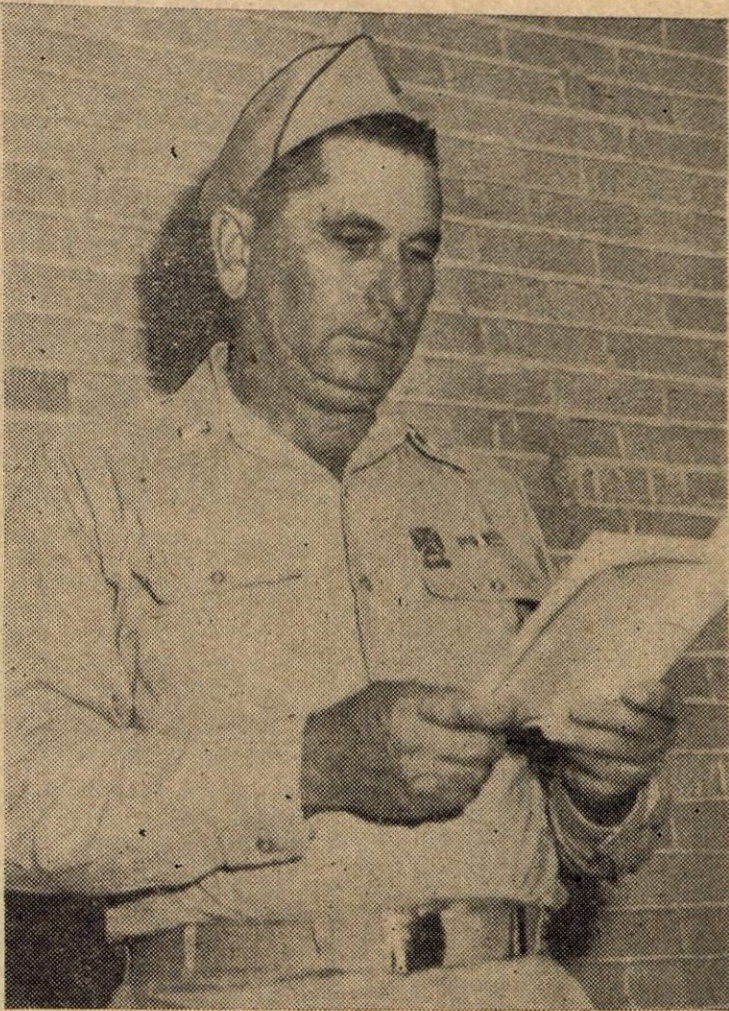
Competition Planned
Competition with other guard companies, with battalion teams and gun clubs and, eventually, in state and national matches, is one of State Headquarters' goals.

Intense training is planned with all the weapons the company has available—Enfield and .22 caliber rifles, 37 mm. gas gun, Thompson submachinegun and .45 caliber revolver.

Assisting the officers in conducting the marksmanship course will be F/Sgt. Melvin B. Jenks, S/Sgt. W. E. Adams, Sgt. Harold F. Green and T/5s Charles Petmecky and R. D. Via.

Lt. Cloud has a rich background of firing line and instructing experience. Former president of the Austin Rifle Club, he has participated in matches all over the Southwest. Since the beginning of

Lt. "Kayo" Cloud



Schools To Get GI Payments Selected

Washington.—Schools such as the University of Cincinnati which offer "cooperative courses" in which a veteran may work part time at a job which rounds out his academic training, have been approved by the Veterans Adminis-

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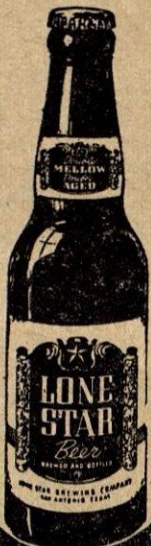
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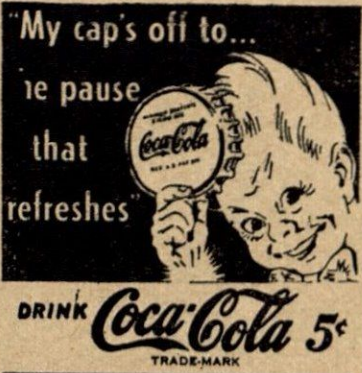


Previously there had been some doubt as to whether such institutions could qualify under the law which provides for government assistance to veterans of World War II in completing their education.

The new VA regulation makes such schools eligible for benefits on virtually the same basis as schools

where there is only academic training offered.

Subsistence allowance for veterans taking work at schools offering cooperative courses will be adjusted to allow for earnings during on-the-job periods of training.



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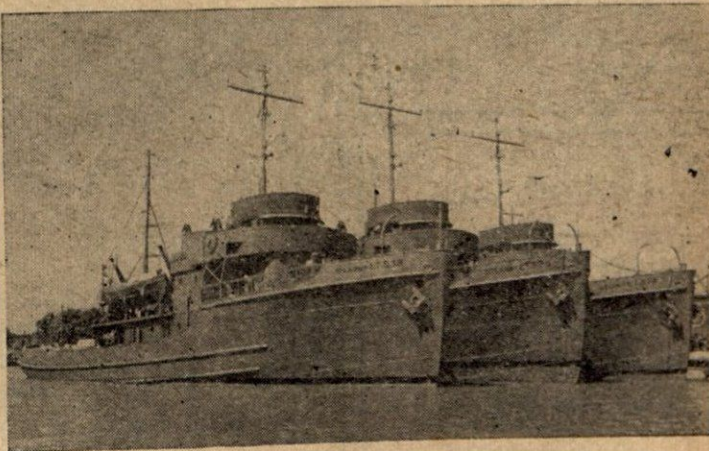
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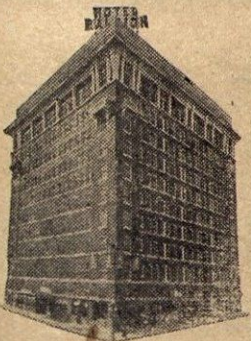
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Sgt. Cross Of 27th High Scorer In Rifle Practice

Thirty men from five units of the 27th Battalion, Texas State Guard, participated in a familiarization firing of the 30 caliber rifle on the Fort Worth Rifle and Pistol Club range on July 22. Units represented were Company A, Company B, Headquarters Detachment and Medical Detachment, and the 27th Battalion Area Band.

Highest score as registered by Sgt. Ewell Cross of Company B with a total of 89 out of 100 possible points. Pvt. L. P. Johnson of Company B scored 77 points for second. It was the first time Private Johnson had fired the 30 caliber rifle although he had fired other pieces.

Other scores in order were First Lt. Thomas M. Hood, Jr., Company A, 68; S/Sgt. C. C. Witherspoon, Company B, 68; Cpl. Cecil Sherman, Company B, 68; Sgt. W. Dixon, Company B, 65; Second Lt. James W. Hogan, Company A, 64, and Sgt. Leon Gachman, Company B, 63.

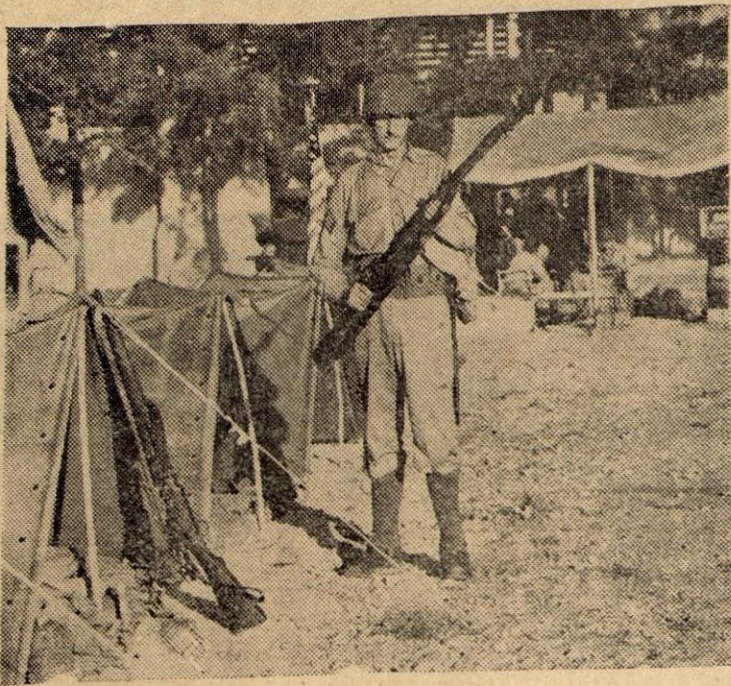
Capt. Lonnie D. Carruth was range officer, assisted by Sgts. Cross and Black, range non-commissioned officers.

The firing was speeded up considerably by the placing of field telephones which are part of the equipment of the headquarters detachment, communications section, on the firing line and near the targets so that scores could be called back to the range officer.

The officers and men met at the 27th Battalion armory at 7:30 Sunday morning and proceeded by motor convoy to the range, in vehicles of the battalion.

Any units desiring further information on the use of field telephones in connection with firing where such facilities are not already installed may contact Capt. Orsen E. Paxton, Jr., commander of the headquarters detachment, 27th Battalion, P. O. Box 1551, Fort Worth, Texas.

Sergeant Peter Holst



Sgt. Peter C. Holst, Company A, 49th Battalion, shown above, was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, September 1, 1897, and came to the United States at the age of 13, and to the State of Texas two years later.

49th Sergeant Kept On Until He Was Crack Shot

After finishing high school and business college, made his living as a bookkeeper.

He enlisted in Company A on 12 December, 1942. Had no previous military experience, did not know a right-face or left-face, and had never fired a gun of any kind.

He found the drilling interesting (has never missed a drill), and found the small-bore practice the most fascinating of all, but, in spite of trying hard, was unable to hit the target, much less score a bulls-

eye, began to hit the target and scoring bullseyes. The range sergeant changed his mind, and said, "Holst, I see now you will make a shooter, and a good one. Your grit and determination will succeed." And it did.

Today, Sergeant Holst is the top scorer in Company A, and probably in the 49th Battalion. He made the highest score with the .30-caliber Enfields at Camp Wallace, 63x75, at the battalion shoot on July 28. He is also in charge of the indoor

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Fort Worth School Lauded By Col. Henley

By LT. BUSH JONES

Col. Donald Henley, commandant in charge of Texas State Guard training for the Eighth Service Command, conducted a critique Sunday morning, August 12, at the performance of the 27th and 30th Battalions in the maneuvers held in Fort Worth August 11 and 12. He was introduced by Lt. Col. Marshall H. Kennady, 27th Battalion commander.

The patrolling Saturday night and the capture of all the simulated escaped prisoners of war was very excellent, Colonel Henley said. He thought the crowd control measures Sunday morning were satisfactory, but made some constructive suggestions.

Colonel Kennady introduced the following visiting TSG officers: Lt. Col. Royal G. Phillips, chief of staff in charge of intelligence at the adjutant general's department; Lt. Col. James C. Jones, in charge of personnel, adjutant general's staff; Capt. H. H. Blagg, acting commander of the 30th Battalion with headquarters at Denton; Maj. M. M. Gardner and Capt. Jess Cariker, both of whom assisted Colonel Phillips as intelligence officers here. Cpl. C. T. Edwards, task force commander, was also introduced for a few remarks.

Maneuvers were held in the area north of the TSG Armory on Lancaster and both battalions were bivouacked on the East Lancaster drill field. Reveille was sounded at 6 a.m. Sunday and breakfast was ready at 6:30. Immediately following this Lt. Chas. G. Fox, chaplain, conducted religious services for the massed group. The men were called into action at 8 and the problem was completed by 10 o'clock.

Colonel Kennady said in conclusion that this mobilization had proven so profitable that he hoped it could be repeated several times a year, and the assembled group voiced its approval. He said also that the school conducted August 8-10 was most instructive, and that

Practice Shoot Beld By Units Of 27th Battalion

The Service Detachment and Company F, 27th Battalion, Texas State Guard, held a practice shoot on the latter's range near Eagle Mountain Lake. The range was constructed by Company F men on land owned by George Buell, Dallas lumberman. Twenty-nine men participated in the practice firing.

Among the high scorers were First Lt. Paul E. Inglis, Service Detachment, and Sgt. Wayne Whittenberg, Company F. Their scores were 94 and 96, respectively.

Lieutenant Inglis was in charge of the detail of Service Detachment men who handled the transportation of the troops to the range and back. Practice was gained in motor convoy work, use of hand signals, safety measures, etc.

Company F has been practicing firing with the small bore rifles on the indoor range at the TSG armory, 201 East Lancaster, each Tuesday night. During the past three weeks three men have fired perfect scores, 300 out of a possible 300 points. They are Sgts. John Whiting and Whittenberg, and Cpl. Fred E. Black. Prospective guardsmen are invited to watch these practice sessions.

New Gun Fires At 1200-A-Minute Clip

Dayton, Ohio.—A new, ultra-speed .50 calibre machinegun, which in combat tests fired bullets at the rate of 1200 a minute, is disclosed by the Army and the General Motors Corporation, perfected by the company's Frigidaire Division engineers.

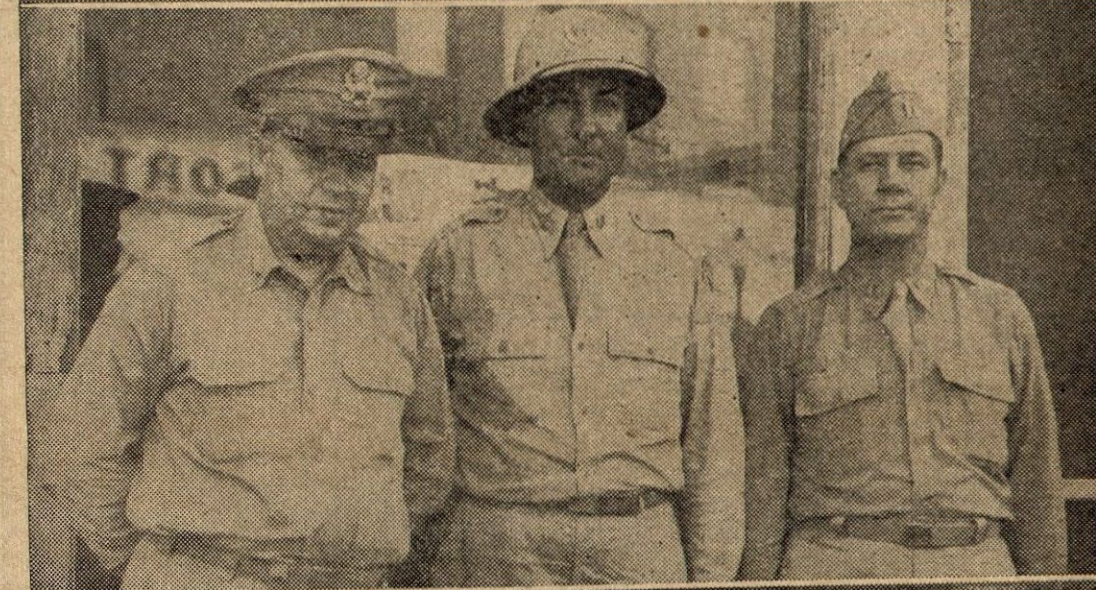
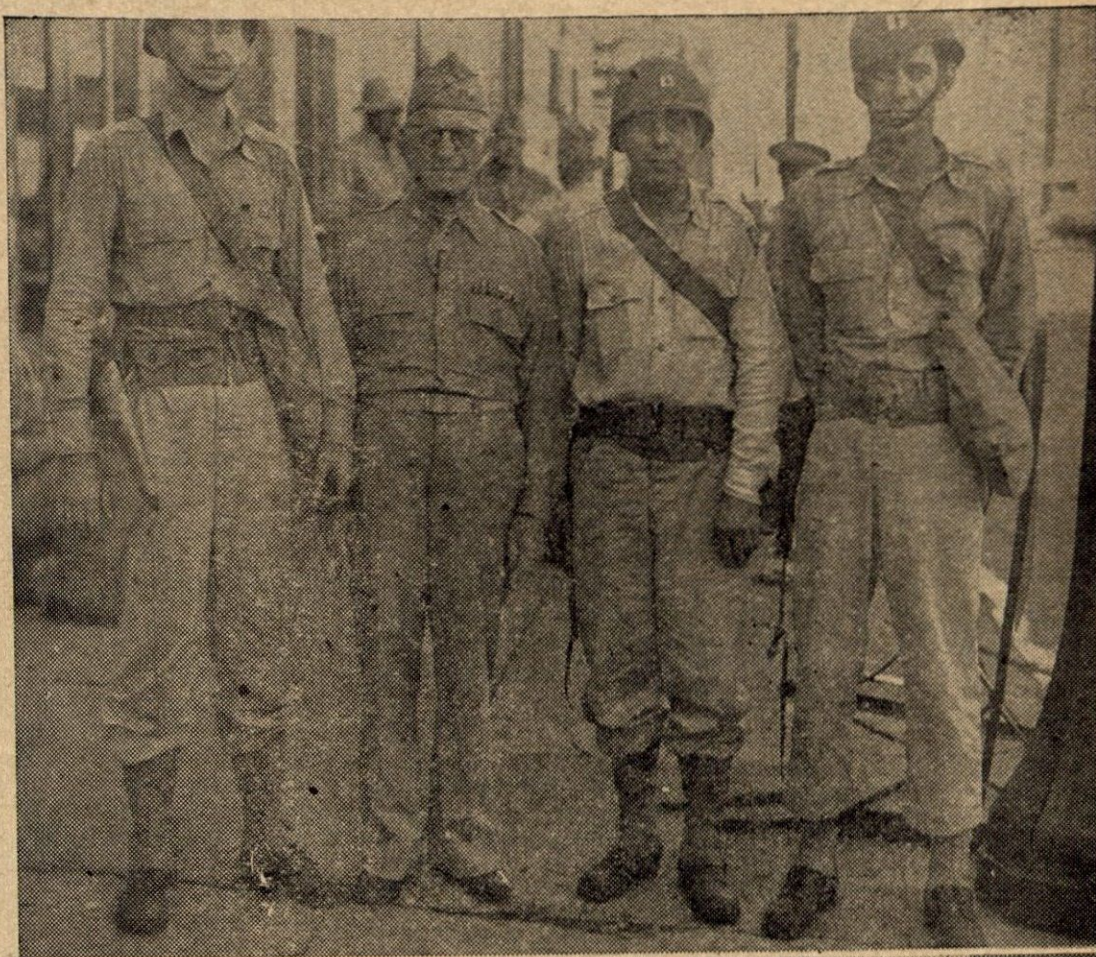
To be used in annihilating Japs, destroying their aircraft and damaging rail yards and supply dumps, the new gun is 50 per cent faster than guns now in use by the AAF.

Further bad news for the Nips was announcement by ATSC of an attachment to the Norden bomb-sight which will make it "deadly effective" from heights around 50,000 feet, with bombings by B-29 crews to be conducted with minimum loss of life and planes.

these refresher courses taught by Eighth Service Command personnel contributed much to the success of the mobilization.

The other task force officers for the Fort Worth mobilization were as follows: Maj. Arthur Matz, supply; Maj. Wm. C. Wilkes, public relations; Capt. T. R. Black, operations; Capt. Chas. L. Gamble, personnel, and Capt. Harry Quist, repair and maintenance.

Scenes At 27th Maneuvers



Top to bottom: Three officers of the 30th Battalion with headquarters at Denton with the 27th Battalion chaplain during maneuvers in Fort Worth August 11-12. Left to right: Lt. Albert Ford; Lt. Col. Chas. G. Fox, chaplain; Capt. H. H. Blagg, Denton, who was acting commander of the 30th, and Capt. Joe L. Biffle, commander of Company B, Gainesville.

of the 30th Battalion and Company F, 27th.

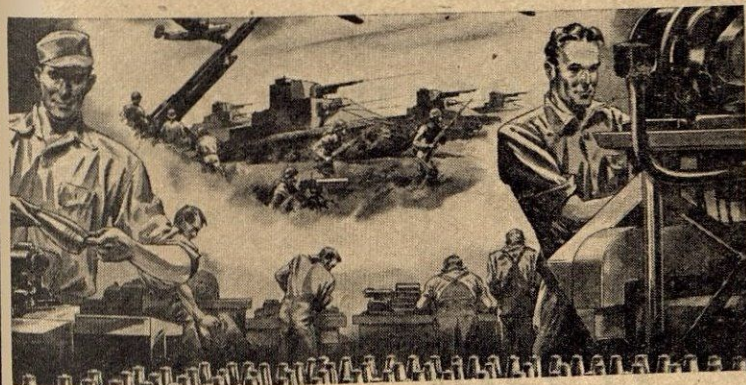
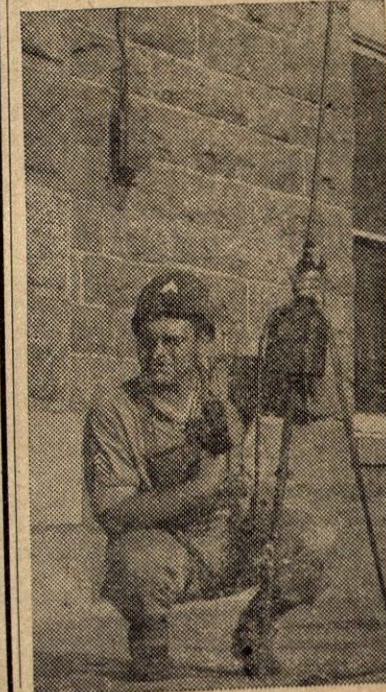
Sgt. M. M. Watson of the 27th Headquarters Detachment demonstrating the "walkie-talkie" during practice maneuvers.

Woodsboro Guard Unit Redesignated

Company A, 21st Battalion, Texas State Guard, at Woodsboro, has been redesignated Service Detachment of the 21st Battalion, the adjutant general's department has announced.

Request for the redesignation was made by the battalion commanding officer. The property of the organization will be adjusted by the state property officer to conform to the requirements of a service detachment.

Men's shirts now cost \$5,000 to \$6,000, Chinese currency, each in China.



VICTORY POWER CAME FROM ELECTRIC POWER

Machine shops, garment factories, food processing plants, oil mills, flour mills, steel mills and many other industries in West Texas, both large and small, have added greatly to the deluge of war materials that gave the U. S. its terrific fighting power. Electric power from the lines of Texas Electric Service Company turned the wheels of production, powering many military projects and adding to the output of local industries.

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Full Text
Of Houston
Resolution

Following is the complete text of the main resolution adopted by guard officers at a meeting in Houston August 19.

A committee was named to present the resolution to the governor. The text:

"The surrender of the Japanese government has brought to the fore the question of what is the future of the Texas State Guard.

"The end of the war with Japan poses an emergency that affects every one of the officers at this meeting in Houston, representing battalions from every part of the state.

"We, the undersigned officers, have been designated as a committee to frame the following resolution, the importance of which is underlined by the end of the Pacific conflict:

"WHEREAS: The Texas State Guard, composed of the citizens of Texas, has served nearly five years, activated by a spirit of self-sacrifice and patriotism, during which time it has performed services on the home front of unquestionable value, both to the preservation of law and order and in the basic training of thousands of men who have gone into our armed services. During this period, the State of Texas has not contributed any financial support whatsoever to the maintenance of the individual units composing the Texas State Guard. The materiel, arms, ammunition and supplies have been furnished by the federal government and the efforts and initiative of the individual organizations. This service has been rendered wholeheartedly and cheerfully, and each officer and man of the Texas State Guard feels proud of his contribution to the war effort;

"AND, WHEREAS: The war is now ended, but the service of the State Guard will probably be more important than ever, and the adjutant general has declared himself in a telegram to a battalion commander who is a member of the association that the services of the State Guard must and should continue for an indefinite period through the critical times which the adjustment from war to peace may bring;

"AND WHEREAS: Many of the older men, who have served through the war period, feel that they have performed their services to the best of their physical and financial ability, and that their obligation to their state and nation has been fulfilled. This is a realistic condition that we must face. The local organizations, counties and cities, which have been supporting the State Guard financially and now face the necessity of appropriating funds for reconversion, will not, except in a few cases, support the State Guard as they have in the past;

"AND WHEREAS: In consideration of the foregoing facts, and the confirmed opinion that the Texas State Guard must continue through the new emergency, and that funds are vitally necessary for the payment of armory rentals, custodians, maintenance and subsistence on maneuvers, and that the Texas State Guard cannot continue without the granting of adequate funds by the State of Texas;

"NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Hon. Coke R. Stevenson, governor of the State of Texas and commander-in-chief

of the Texas State Guard, and Brig. Gen. Arthur B. Knickerbocker, adjutant general, be requested to make an appropriation out of emergency funds under the governor's control adequate to maintain and provide for the needs and requirements of the Texas State Guard until its duties are taken over by the National Guard.

"In view of the reports made by various organization commanders, a critical condition exists, necessitating immediate and prompt action on this request.

"Emphasis is lent to the urgency of this plea by the cold figures on the marked decrease in the enlisted strength of the various battalions—in many cases a drop of 50 per cent over the strength of a year ago."

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Guard divisions as quickly as possible.

A reference in a newspaper article of the deactivation of the Texas State Guard also was made. Colonel Delmar had a telegram from Adjutant General Arthur B. Knickerbocker which stated his position on this. It read as follows:

"If any newspaper has printed a statement the State Guard would be deactivated it was completely erroneous in doing so. The governor, the adjutant general and the other authorities connected with the State Guard appeal to each and every member of this organization to continue to serve as we believe the reconversion period will have problems that the guard will have to handle and help the great State of Texas in the trying period ahead of us."

Delmar stated that at the meeting of the post-war planning committee there was a lot of talk that there would be a transfer to the National Guard.

Lt. Col. Donald W. Peacock, of San Antonio, expressed the belief that the 36th Division of the Texas National Guard will be reactivated in the next three to six months. He said that many people believe that the Texas State Guard will be the nucleus of the Texas National Guard.

Lt. Col. Allen D. Rooke, of Woodsboro, declared that in his opinion what this talk all meant was that National Guard units would be deactivated so that they could be turned back to the states—that he believed the 36th Division would return only in the number of the division and not actually in personnel.

Colonel Rooke declared that "all our organizations have been hurt materially by the State of Texas slapping us in the face and refusing to make appropriations."

Colonel Rooke said that peti-

tions should be gotten up and presented asking for state funds.

Capt. R. C. Clappitt of the Seventh Battalion, Houston, said that "you may as well face facts, gentlemen, the State Guard has existed during the war purely for patriotic reasons. We of Houston know how hard it is to get funds. The State of Texas has not contributed one dime to the financing of the State Guard.

"If that situation is not taken care of by somebody it is going to mean that a lot of units will fold up, and possibly there will not be a State Guard. Patriotism is all right but I don't think we are going to be able to sell patriotism in peace time as well as we did in war time."

Colonel Konken made a statement on the efforts made by his committee to obtain state money:

"My committee made many trips to Austin to talk about this thing and we were promised four years back that something would be done about it. The last discussion we had was about two weeks before the legislature adjourned.

"Think They Were Willing"

"I had quite a talk with these gentlemen and I think they were willing to finance the State Guard. . . . I asked General Knickerbocker what he was going to do about it and he stated that he was going to present it to the legislature before they adjourned and he would find out what they were going to do. . . .

I asked him to give me permission to go before them (the legislature) and attempt to get an appropriation myself. He would not give me that permission.

"I told him that I did not care if it were just \$3.60, it would be an appropriation and would show the enlisted men and officers that their general was at least making an effort to get some money for them. He stated he would go before the legislature before they adjourned and that was the end of it.

"We have no record of where the general asked for any appropriation but the attempt has been made time and again by the association and we have gotten all kinds of promises but no results," Konken said.

Capt. Carl Hardin of Austin, association adjutant, said:

"An article came out in The

Guardsman which quoted Knickerbocker as saying he made several trips to get an appropriation. I cut out these clippings and mailed one to Senator Lanning of Jacksboro (chairman of the senate appropriations committee) and one to Senator Stone of Galveston (chairman of the departmental subcommittee of the senate). To date I have received no reply. I expect a reply from them. Lanning told me: 'You know good and well that anybody who comes up before me will get a hearing.'"

Colonel Konken said: "At the last meeting in Austin the general promised Bentsen (Lt. Col. J. E. Bentsen, 31st Battalion) that the minute things shaped up he would call him (Bentsen) and four members of the association to go with him to present a request for the

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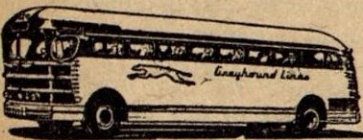
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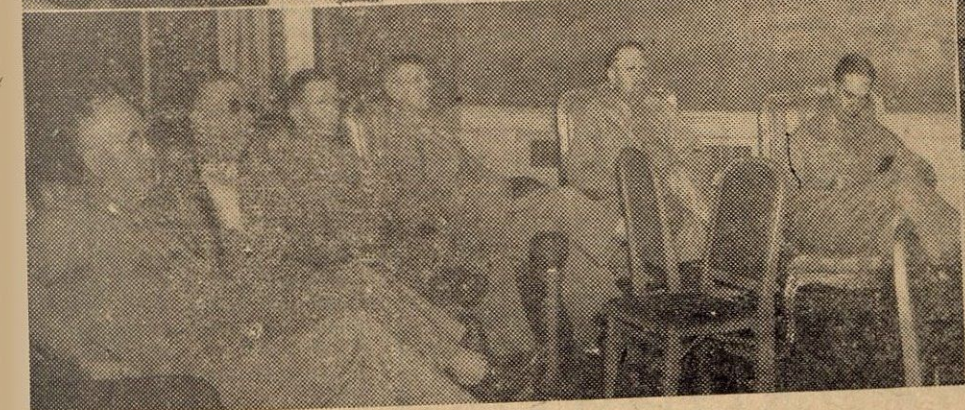
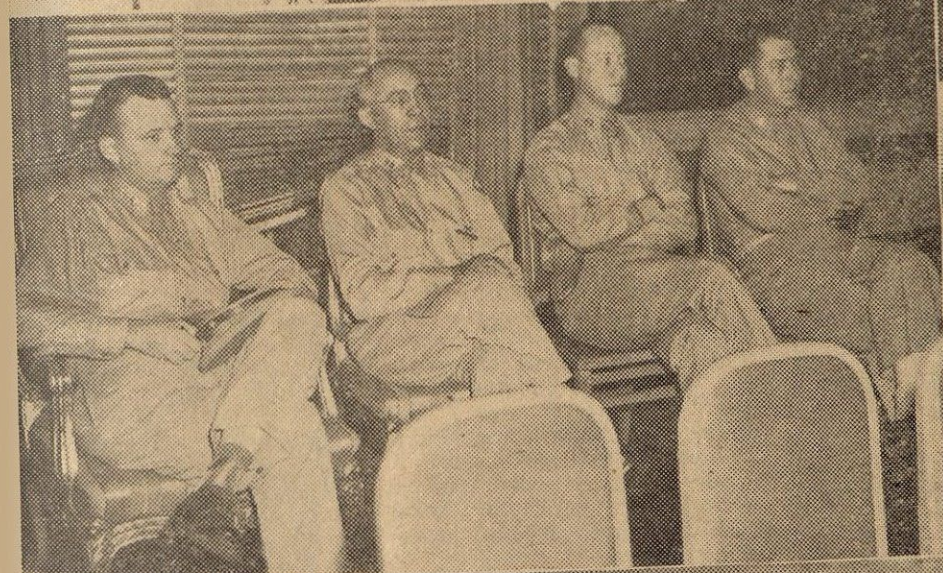
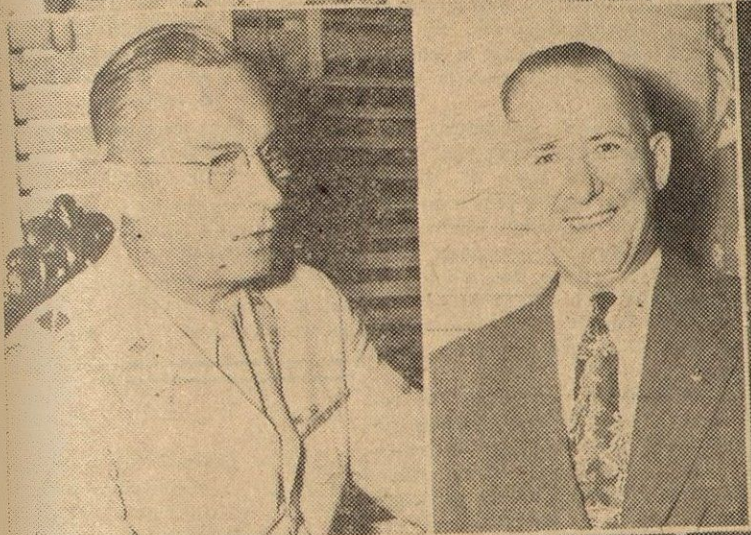
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Officers Association Leaders Gather At Houston



Top left: A general view of the banquet Saturday night that preceded business sessions of the meeting of directors of the Texas State Guard Officers Association and battalion commanders in Houston on Sunday, August 19.

Top right: Top officers of the association presiding at the Sunday meeting. Left to right they are: Capt. Carl Hardin, adjutant; Lt. Col. E. D. Konken, president; Lt. Col. H. W. Stilwell, vice president, and Lt. Col. Weldon Swenson, treasurer. Capt. Claude Karr, Dallas, first vice president, sat in the rear of the room.

Upper center left: President Konken caught by the camera while speaking (left) and Major Ed Riedel, Austin (right), as he spoke in praise of Konken.

Upper center right: A general view of the business session Sunday.

Lower center left: Lt. Col. Jeff Dickey, at the left, and Lt. Col. Earle Cabell, 35th and 29th Bat-

talions of Dallas, and brother officers.

Lower left: A group of officers who sat in the corner and listened a lot but said very little. Included are Lt. Col. Ralph Holman, 23rd Battalion; Lt. Col. George McLean, 49th; Major J. E. Cassidy, 3rd Research, St. Edward's University, and Lt. Col. P. L. Marques, 47th Battalion.

Lower right: Lt. Col. Vincent Chiodo and officers of the 7th Battalion. Front row, left to right: Capt. Samuel Harrell, Lt. Bateman Hardcastle, Capt. W. G. Buck and Capt. R. C. Clampitt. Rear row: Colonel Chiodo and Major C. C. Bateman.

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(Continued from Page 16) association. That committee has never been called to date."

Lt. Col. Jacob A. Harris of San Antonio interjected: "We can do one of two things—shut up or go to the governor. The governor can

give us some money."

Colonel Konken proposed that a committee be named to draw up a resolution to the governor.

Colonel Harris said: "I make the motion that we go to the governor and insist that the State of Texas pay a just and honorable debt to the men who have served during the war in the State Guard by making an appropriation to the guard."

The motion carried.

Colonel Rooke declared: "I think that the fact we have not gotten an appropriation is purely our own fault. I think the legislature does not know we need money and their impression has been all along that the guard did not want any money."

Captain Hardin said: "It may be our own fault that we did not get any money but we were told not to interfere in those matters of money for the guard, and that they were being taken care of. We need the money for the maintenance of our organizations. Men in the organi-

zations are tired. Attendance is dropping off. The only way we are going to be able to keep them is to get money to maintain equipment, food and supplies.

"This State Guard is on its last legs, so far as enlistments are concerned, unless something is done to get an interest in it. We need someone to wave the flag and play the band. I know the men are tired. I need a shot in the arm as much as my men do. We have been doing all the pushing and I'm tired of it."

Colonel Harris said: "The fault lies in our commanding general in that he did not make a real effort to get the money. When the problem was placed in his hands and he promised to get the money, did he do it? No. Nor do we have any record of his ever having made an attempt to get an appropriation.

"All he has given us is promises and the time has come when we can't support the guard on promises any longer. How many of you

lose sleep at night worrying about what would happen if you were called out?

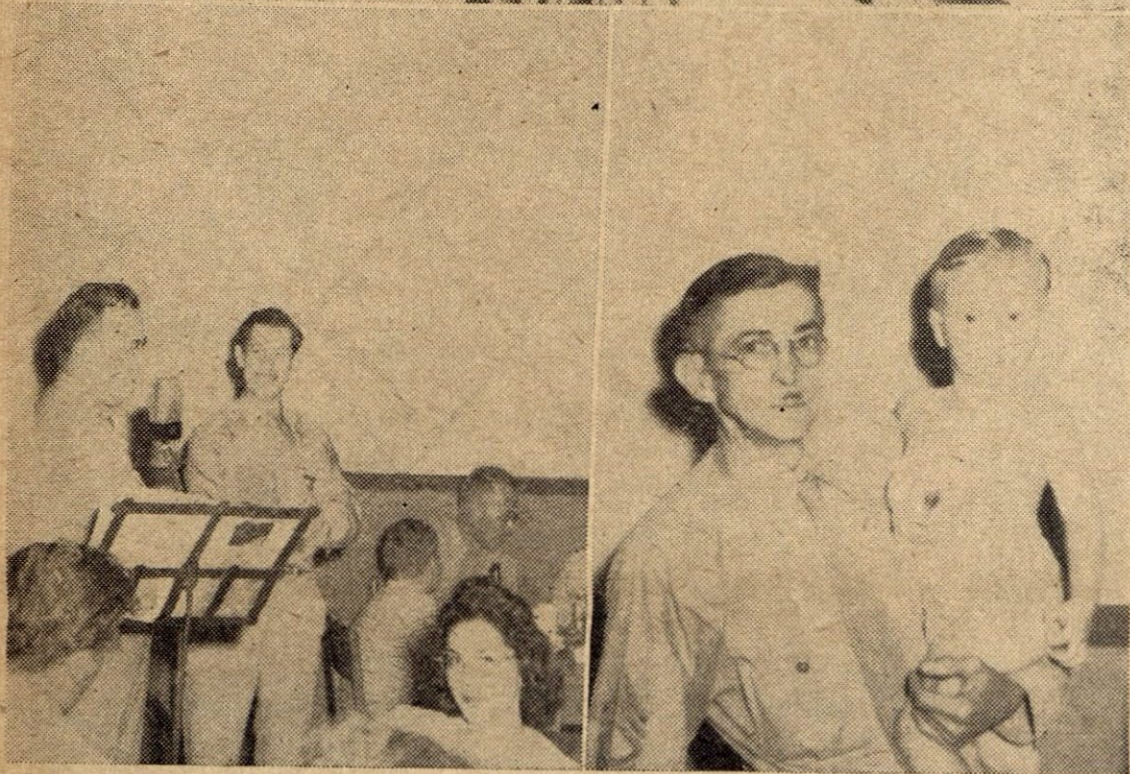
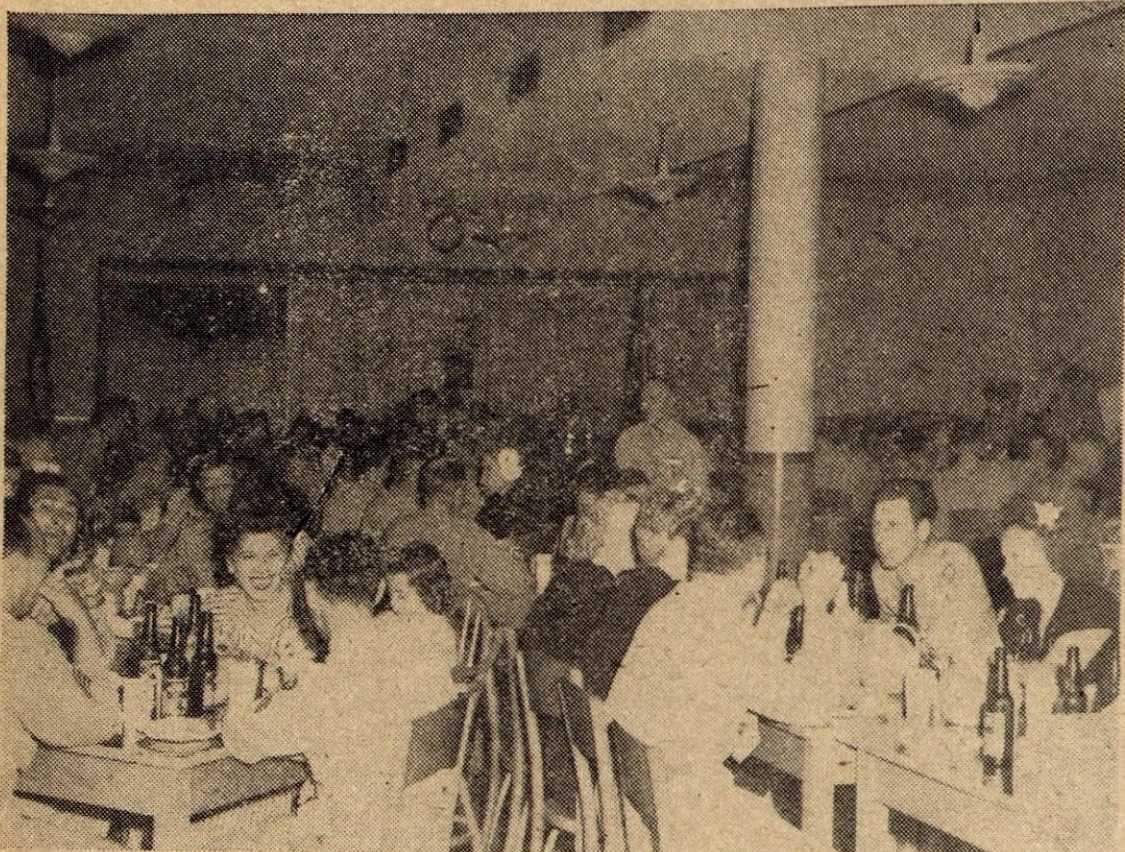
"Why didn't you have the equipment? Because the adjutant general, your leader, not only failed to keep his promises but he forgot them. San Antonio spent \$5488 last year, \$1000 given to us by the city. We men in the field keep the organization going, not the general. Something must be done now and it's up to us to do it."

Captain Hardin said: "I think we need a little bit more help and it's up to somebody to get that help. I've stuck my neck out plenty and I'm not sticking it out any more. Somebody is going to have to do something about this situation and do it now."

Harris said: "We have leadership in the association, but we do not have leadership in the commanding general."

Capt. Roy Pender of Dallas said: (See MEETING, Page 19)

48th Battalion Celebrates Birthday



Top: A portion of the 175 members who attended the fourth anniversary ceremonies of the 48th Battalion held in the Alabama Cafeteria.

Below left: Lt. Col. Samuel R. Haggard congratulates members of the 48th Battalion on attaining its fourth birthday of service with the guard. Lt. Jack Yudell (right) stands by to resume entertainment portion of the program.

Below right: Battalion Sgt. Major B. G. Hudson holding his

grandson, Billy Settle, Jr., who has just been appointed Headquarters Detachment mascot of the 48th Battalion.

An English cub reporter, frequently reprimanded for relating too many details, turned in the following:

"A shooting affair occurred last night. Sir Dwight Hopeless, a guest at Lady Panmore's hall, complained of feeling ill, took a highball, his coat and his hat, his departure, no notice of his friends,

a taxi, a pistol from his pocket and finally his life. Nice chap. Regrets and all that."

Private: "I've got a million dollars, a yacht, and six automobiles waiting for me back in civilian life. Whatta you got?"

Sergeant: "I've got the drop on you, buddy, so get busy on that latrine."

48th Observes Its Fourth Year In TSG

By CAPT. KING H. ROBINSON

Observation of its fourth year of service in the Texas State Guard was celebrated by the 48th (Marine) Battalion, Lt. Col. Julian A. Weslow commanding, on August 13 with a battalion-wide banquet and dinner dance held in the spacious Alabama theatre building in Houston.

Arrangements for the event were under the direction of Lt. Robert J. Harrell and Lt. Sam Emden, who prepared an outstanding schedule of entertainment. Dance music was furnished by an eight-piece unit under the leadership of the well-known Houston band man, Elmer Christian.

Contests Staged

During the dancing period several amusing contests were conducted to determine best jitterbug artists, oldest couple, etc., and Colonel Weslow presented a number of attractive trophies to the event winners.

Lt. Jack Yudell, well-known master of ceremonies, kept the crowd in a continuous state of hilarity with an entertaining public address system quiz in which guard participants competed for many valuable and sometimes unusual prizes. Lt. Yudell also added greatly to the evening's program by rendering several song and whistling numbers.

The honor of preparing the refreshing punch for the occasion fell to Capt. Raymond C. Rockwell, service detachment commander, who also aided in facility arrangements and transportation of refreshments.

Special Guests

Attending as guests of the 48th Battalion were Lt. Col. Samuel R. Haggard and his beautiful wife. Lt. Col. Haggard, who is managing director of The Guardsman, was presented by Lt. Col. Weslow and spoke briefly, commending 48th officers and enlisted personnel for their enthusiasm and spirit in performing guard functions.

A stirring ceremony was performed by Chaplain S. T. Pratt in tribute to the memory of guardsmen lost in service of their country. During the ceremony a huge service flag, representing several hundred 48th Battalion members in regular military service, was unfurled and dedicated by Major Basil J. Teague, executive officer of the unit.

Mascot Named

Highlight of the evening came when Colonel Weslow named Billy Settle, Jr., age 5, as official Headquarters Detachment mascot with the honorary title of major. Young Billy is the grandson of Battalion

Sgt. Major B. G. Hudson, who has been associated with the battalion since its inception.

The anniversary affair, which was attended by approximately 175 members and their wives, is an annual function of the 48th Battalion, and is considered a valuable contribution to continued high morale in organization personnel.

The ten-minute break was fast fading as Trainee Green regaled his buddy with the comparative superiority of the Green infant.

"You say your baby doesn't walk yet?" he asked smugly. "Well, mine does, and he's not as old as yours. Has yours cut his teeth yet?"

"No, he hasn't," Trainee Smith sighed.

"Oh, mine has them all, a beautiful set of teeth. Your baby talk yet? No? Well, for goodness sake, mine has been talking for weeks. Did I tell you—"

Smith bore it in silence until the sergeant raised his whistle to, end the break. Then he tossed his full-field pack over one shoulder, grabbed his M-1, and towered threateningly over his tormentor.

"Now about that bab yof yours," he growled. "Does he use a safety razor, or an old-fashioned one?"

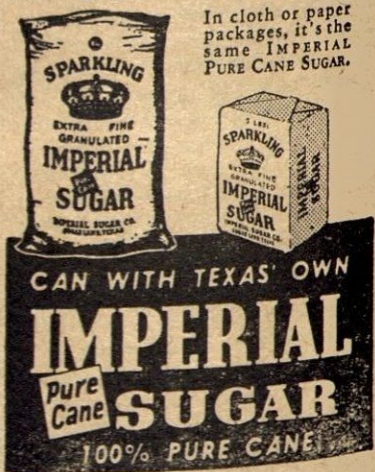
Sgt.: "Isn't it about time our baby said 'Daddy'?"

Mrs. Sgt.: "Not yet, dear; I'm going to wait until he's stronger before I tell him you're his dad."



THAT's what our fighting men call letters from their sweethearts. But this is another kind of sugar report . . . to the folks at home. Sugar stocks, this year, will be lower than any time during the war but the armed forces will get all they can use. We at home will get less. To get the most out of your sugar stamps, use IMPERIAL PURE CANE SUGAR . . . the sugar with the maximum sweetening. IMPERIAL is still the same quick-dissolving, 100% Pure Cane Sugar, even though quantities are limited.

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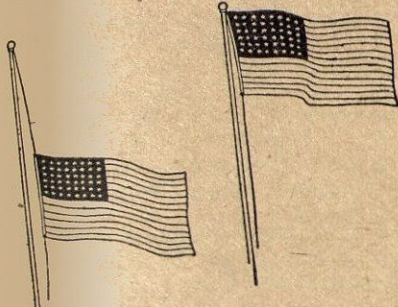


Figure 4

may be given to the nearest kin at the conclusion of the interment. (Plate 2.)

(13) Mourning—Flags carried by troops will not be half-staffed nor will any such flag be placed in mourning unless ordered by the War Department. When so ordered, two streamers of black crepe 7 feet long and about 12 inches will be attached to the staff below the spearhead of the National Colors and standards. (Fig. 5.)

(14) Flags For Retired Individuals—Flags for individuals represent active command, therefore they will not be issued to nor displayed for retired individuals.

(15) Plate 1 should be studied carefully for the purpose of reviewing the proper methods of saluting the color.

Definitions—Four different names for the Flag of the United States are in use in the military service: Flag, Color, Standard, and Ensign. In general, the term "Flag" is applicable regardless of size and use, but the other three terms have special usages as follows:

1. A color is a flag carried by dismounted units.
2. A standard is a flag carried by mounted or motorized units.
3. An ensign is a flag flown on ships, small boats, and airships. When

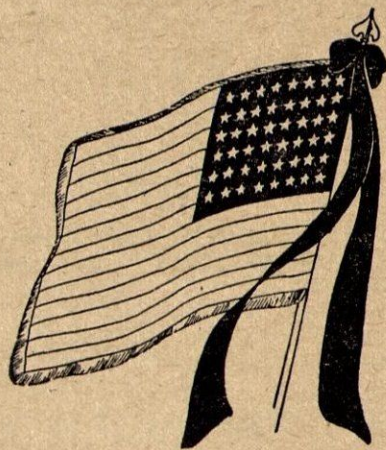


Figure 5

we speak of "flags" we do not mean colors, standards, or ensigns.

There are three sizes of flags as distinguished from colors or standards. The Garrison flag, 38'x20', is displayed on holidays and important occasions. The Post flag, 19'x10', is for general use. The Storm flag, 9'6"x5', is displayed during stormy or windy weather.

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LESSON No. 26—THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES—
USE AND DISPLAY

I. DESCRIPTION

The Flag of the United States of America has 13 horizontal stripes, 7 red and 6 white, the red and white stripes alternating, and a canton or union which consists of white stars of 5 points on a blue field placed in the upper corner next the staff and extending to the lower edge of the fourth red stripe from the top. The

number of stars is the same as the number of states in the Union. The canton or the union now contains 48 stars arranged in 6 horizontal and 8 vertical rows, each star with one point upward. On the admission of a state into the Union a star will be added to the Union of the flag, and such additions will take effect on the 4th day of July next succeeding such

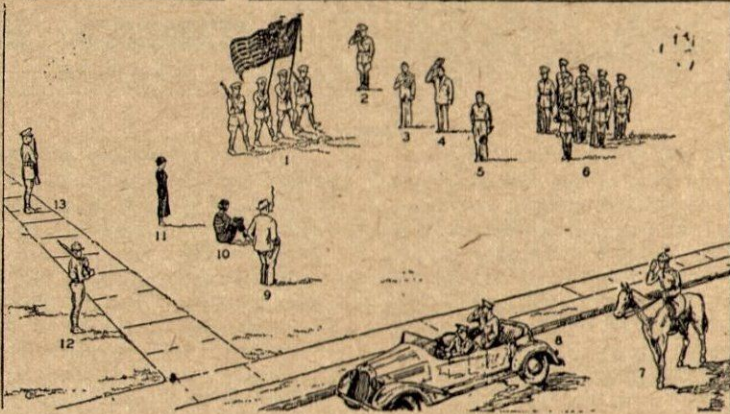


Plate 1. Saluting the Color

- 1 The colors and their guard.
- 2 Officer or soldier in uniform, not under arms, covered or uncovered.
- 3 Civilian, officer or soldier in civilian clothes, covered, fair weather.
- 4 Same as (3), rainy weather.
- 5 Civilian, officer or soldier in civilian clothes or athletic costume, uncovered.
- 6 Small detachment armed with rifle, non-commissioned officer in command.
- 7 Officer or soldier in uniform, mounted.
- 8 Driver and passenger of military vehicle in motion.
- 9-10 Ignorant or indifferent man and woman.
- 11 A lady saluting the color correctly (standing). (The right hand may be placed over the heart.)
- 12 Soldier in uniform, armed with rifle.
- 13 Sentinel on post, armed with rifle.

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"We have money but by the time it gets down to the men it's pretty small. We are not going to have any men to command in three months if something is not done."

Lt. Col. Vincent Chiodo of Houston said: "I have a demand for more armory rent or move. My boys made that armory what it is. Now we have to vacate that building. Where are we going to move to I don't know. I hate to see them disband. Our job is not done. We must carry on."

Major Edward F. Riedel of Austin and Lt. Col. Julian Weslow of Houston set off one of the most hearty expressions of commendation ever accorded an officer of the guard when they made talks praising Lt. Col. Konken as president of the association.

Major Riedel said that Konken has fought for the guard on every turn and that his judgment and ability have been excellent. "It is a tribute to any man to see the spirit which has been shown here today," he said.

Colonel Weslow said: "Colonel Konken's friendly attitude has helped all Houston battalions. As president of this association he has shown the same usefulness. He has been relieved of duty as commander of his battalion. He does not want that discussed here, but I think we owe it to him to give him a vote of

GI Reactions To V-E Day In Europe Extremely Varied

With the 84th Infantry Division, in Europe.—Typical GI reactions to V-E Day were given by five doughs of Company F, 335th Infantry.

thanks and confidence."

Capt. Claude K. Karr of Dallas, first vice president, took the chair to put the motion. It was greeted by a unanimity of cheers and clapping, all members rising.

There were no dissenting voices heard.

Pfc. Le Roy R. Spak, Wisconsin Dells, Wis., stated, "I thought the war would never end."

"This continued safety is making me jumpy," said Pfc. Joseph F. McBride, Rixford, Penna.

"Where are the drinks?" asked Pfc. Paul P. Cardenas, Crystal City, Texas.

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center of that line. See Plate 1, No. 1.)
(3) When the Flag of the United States and another flag are displayed together from the crossed staffs, as against a wall, the Flag of the United States will be on the right, or the left of an observer facing the wall, and its staff will be in front of the other flag. (Plate 2.)

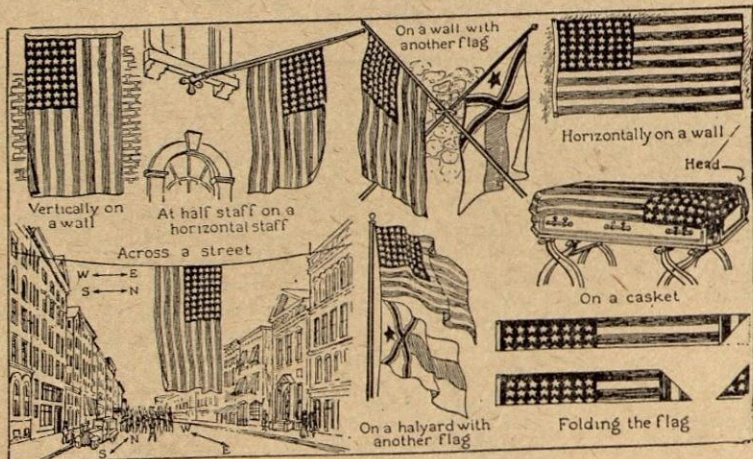


Plate 2

II. POSITION AND USE
(1) The Flag of the United States represents the living thing, the union point of danger; hence, the right is the place of honor. The edge of the Flag which is toward the staff is the heraldic dexter or right edge. The union of the Flag, and the Flag itself when in company with other flags, is always given the honor point, that is, the marching right, the Flag's own right, or an observer's left.
(2) When the Flag of the United States is carried, as in a procession, with another flag or with other flags, the place of the Flag of the United States is on the marching right, that is, the left of the observer whom the Flag is approaching, or if there is a line of other flags, in the front of the

(4) When a number of flags are grouped and displayed from staffs the Flag of the United States will be in the center, or at the highest point, of the group. (Fig. 1.)
(5) When the Flag of the United State is displayed in a chapel, in front of the chancel, it will be on the congregation's right as they face the chaplain. (Fig. 2.) If displayed within the chancel, it will be on the chaplain's right as he faces the congregation. (Fig. 3). Other flags in the same display will be on the wall opposite the Flag of the United States or on the chaplain's left, as the case may be. (Fig. 3.)
(6) When the Flag of the United States is displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall the union

will be uppermost and to the Flag's own right, that is to the observer's left. (Fig. 2.)
7. In general, the Flag of the United States should be displayed flat. It should not be festooned over doorways or arches, tied in a bow knot, or fashioned into a rosette. When used on a rostrum it should be displayed above and behind the speaker's desk. (Fig. 2.)

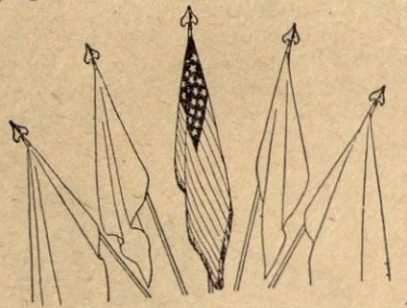


Figure 1

(8) No lettering or object of any kind will be placed on the Flag of the United States.
(9) When the Flag of the United States is displayed at half-staff, it is first hoisted to the top of the staff

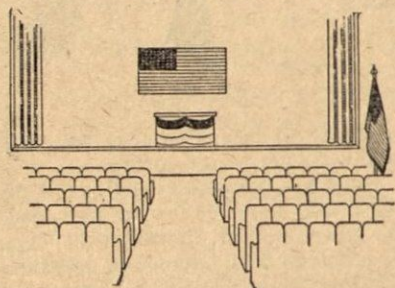


Figure 2

and then lowered to the half-staff position. Before lowering the Flag it is again raised to the top of the staff. (Fig. 4.)

(10) A flag in any position below the top of the staff is technically in the half-staff position, but, in general, the middle point of the hoist of a flag at half-staff should, in the case of an unguyed flagstaff of one piece, be half way between the top of the staff and the foot thereof, or, in the case of the flagstaff with crosstree or guy cables, halfway between the top of the staff and the crosstree or point of attachment of the guy cables. Local conditions such as the liability of fouling

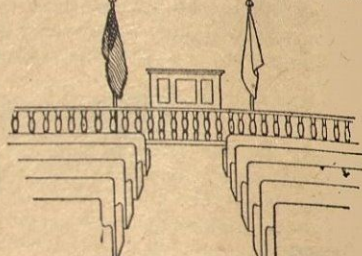


Figure 3

the Flag may, however, dictate other positions, a graceful one being with the top of the Flag the depth of the hoist below the top of the staff.
(11) Lowering and Folding the Flag—When the Flag of the United States is lowered from the staff, no portion of it will be allowed to touch the ground either in lowering or in folding. Before being completely detached from halyards the Flag should be folded in the shape of a cocked hat. (Plate 2.)
(12) The Flag of the United States is used to cover the casket at the military funeral of any of the following-named persons:
1. Any member of the military forces in active service.
2. Members of the State and National Guard.
3. Members of the Officers' Reserve Corps, the Enlisted Reserve Corps, or Regular Army Reserve.

Company A, 49th, Has Sent Many Men To Colors

Company A, of the 49th Battalion, Galveston, is proud of the many men it has sent to the armed forces of the nation. While company records are not complete, following is a partial list of former Company A men who have joined the colors: Harry I. Melcer, K. W. Linde, Gerhard O. Gunther, Andrew S. Kovich, Nicholas P. Ceccacci, Floyd D. Shank, Earl W. Leacroy, Marshall N. Cline, Roman Moya, Joseph A. Fedele, Stuart D. Godwin, Nicholas M. Thielen, Jr., Lester C. Walker, Wesley M. Dover, Allan E. Cameron, Daniel S. Kauffman, Willie F. Adams, Leonard J. Overton, Philip J. Muzar, Edward L. Guisti, John C. Odle, Charles E. Zerwekh, Douglas R. Caldwell, E. Thomas Grayson, Clarence Dorsey, Raymond Flores, Vincent F. Moya, George W. Phillips, Jr., Royal E. Worthen, Juan M. Morales, Sam E. Ausmus.

Job Change Data Shown On Charts

Camp Butner, N. C.—Overseas veterans in the Camp Butner Convalescent Hospital who will be forced to change their occupations after release to civilian life are being guided to proper vocational selection by a Representative Job Chart compiled by the staff of the Counseling and Classification Staff. The 4x5-foot model chart shows representative jobs that require no use, little use, or moderate use of the legs and feet, and lists 90 profitable types of work for GIs who must choose a different occupation or profession after they are discharged. Many returnees will face occupational difficulties in the post-war world. While these men are patients here they are given the opportunity of taking one or more of the educational, vocational, musical, or agricultural courses offered under the Reconditioning Program. These courses are not designed to give the returnee a thorough knowledge of a particular

subject. They are intended to stimulate interest in a particular profession or vocation that may be followed up after discharge. And the "Representative Job Chart" helps to supply the soldier with information on the job for which he is best fitted.

The chart is divided into six sections: Agricultural, Fishery and Forestry; Semi-Skilled Labor; Unskilled Labor, and Service Occupations. Each type of occupation lists 15 jobs that require no use, little use, or moderate use of the legs and feet.

The question for debate at all sessions of the PX Beer Garden Clubs next week: "Resolved, if all the girls in the world that didn't neck were gathered at one spot, what would we do with her?"

This GI, see, he comes up for air after a while, blinks his eyes a couple of times, and says gee, but this dame has a lovely figure. And right back she comes at him, okay, she says, but let's don't go over all that again.

Iraq is negotiating to buy prefabricated houses from Britain.

4000 GIs Can Live In "Little Grass Shack"

With the 43rd Infantry Division, on Luzon.—Members of the 43rd Infantry (Winged Victory) Division claim they have the biggest "little grass shack" in the Philippines.

To support their claims they marshal the following facts:

The "grass shack" has 36,000 square feet of floor space. There are approximately 45,000 square feet of grass roofing. The main room of the "shack" will hold an audience of 4000 at the movies or stage show presented on the professionally designed stage.

Evanston, Illinois, prohibits the changing of clothes in a car with the curtains drawn, except in case of fire.

Sweden Studies Part In Education Program

Stockholm, Sweden.—According to a recent issue of the Swedish newspaper Dagens Nyheter, the president of the Swedish Board of Education has been authorized to appoint a committee of three educators to investigate the possibilities of high schools in Sweden.

It is estimated 1000 officers and enlisted men would be interested. Most of them would presumably be members of the European Division, USAAF Air Transport Command, which operates a major base near Stockholm. Airmen of that organization, which is commanded by Brig. Gen. Earl S. Hoag, comprise the greater proportion of American military personnel in Sweden.

The Swedish committee has been appointed at the request of the American Army, according to the Dagens Nyheter.

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Rice Is New Commander Of Co. A, 6th Bn.

By S/SGT. WELDON PHARR
Capt. Luther B. Rice is the new commanding officer of the Lampasas Company A of the 6th Battalion of the Texas State Guard, being named as commander and raised in rank from first lieutenant on June 26, following the resignation of Wm. Kyle Oliver, who had been commander since April 6, 1944.

Charles W. Rathman was given a promotion from staff sergeant to first lieutenant, Second Lt. Clyde A. Northington requesting that he not be promoted due to the fact that civilian duties prevented his accepting added duties.

The new commanding officer has been a member of Company A since its organization March 24, 1941. On June 2, 1942, he was appointed second lieutenant, and on December 19 of the same year was appointed first lieutenant, in which capacity he served most faithfully and well until receiving his promotion in June.

Original Member

The retiring commander, who resigned because increasing civilian duties prevented his continuing to assume the obligations of the commission, was another original member of the local company. He served as first lieutenant of the company until August 1, 1941, when he was appointed captain and named 6th Battalion adjutant. He served in that capacity until January 1944 when, at his own request, he was lowered in rank to first lieutenant and assigned to the supply company at Florence, accepting his commission again as captain and assuming command of Company A in April, 1944.

First Lt. Chas. W. Rathman enlisted as a private in Company A December 15, 1941, and had earned continuous promotions through faithful and untiring service and was a staff sergeant when he was appointed as second in command of the local company.

Commissioned In 1942

Second Lt. Clyde A. Northington was an original member of the first company of the 6th Battalion, and accepted his present commission December 19, 1942. Among his many civilian non-paying duties is that of war finance chairman of war bond drives, a post he has more than adequately filled, each of the seven War Loan drives being oversubscribed in the county and every monthly quota oversubscribed with possibly two exceptions. He is faithful in attendance and has worked diligently for the guard.

Sergeant Wounded Three Times—He's Short Of Points

With American Division, in the Philippines.—Sgt. Charles H. Finn earns points toward the redeployment program the hard way. He was wounded three times in three months on three different islands in the current Philippines campaign.

With the Bronze Star he won, and the three Purple Heart awards, his point total went up by 20 points. The sad part of it all is that he still hasn't enough for a trip home.

Right To Command Is Given Army Dentists

Washington.—Legislation giving Army dentists the same rights to command personnel and units in the Medical Department as medical, medical administrative and other officers has been passed by the Senate and sent to the House.

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Top left: Luther B. Rice, who was appointed captain and commanding officer of Company A, 6th Battalion, the latter part of June.

Top right: William Kyle Oliver, who resigned as commander of Company A, 6th Battalion, June 26, after over four years as Guard officer.

Below left: First Lt. Chas. W. Rathman, appointed second in command of Company A, 6th Battalion, June 26, from staff sergeant.

Below right: Second Lt. Clyde A. Northington, who has served as junior company officer of Company A, 6th Battalion, for nearly three years.

Truman Says GI Wives Must Stay In U. S.

Potsdam, Germany.—President Truman does not want American soldiers' wives and children sent overseas because he doesn't want Americans to settle in Europe.

The problems of the separated families will be best solved by sending the soldiers back home, which will be as soon as there is no danger that withdrawal of occupation forces will jeopardize peace.

Sergeant Owes Life To His Tin Helmet

With the 43rd Infantry Division, on Luzon.—In a freak encounter with a charmed helmet and a Jap who shot curves, S/Sgt. Hugh E. Bullington of Barling, Ark., won his way into this war's "Order of Close Calls."

The 43rd (Winged Victory) Division was within arm's reach of Ipo Dam (east of Manila) when Ser-

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Famous Author Is Given Bronze Star

With the 24th Infantry Division, on Mindanao.—Pfc. Richard J. Krebs, author of "Out of the Night" under the pen name of "Jan Valtin," has received the Bronze Star medal "for meritorious achievement" as a member of the 24th Division.

Entering the Army in 1942, Krebs came overseas last year. During the Mindanao campaign, he wrote a new book, tentatively titled "Japs Die Hard," which is awaiting publication.

Krebs is the father of three sons.

geant Bullington and his buddies, storming the top of the last hill, were caught in an unexpected burst of enemy fire. Suddenly the sergeant's helmet was knocked high in the air by a strange impact. It sailed over and landed with a plunk on the head of a startled doughboy, who concluded, hazily, that he had been "personally dive-bombed." But Sergeant Bullington himself almost fainted when he later took a look at his tin sombrero. A Jap bullet had smacked its way into the helmet just above his right eye, whipped around his head between the steel and the fibre liner, and come out again just above his left eye without singeing a hair on his scalp.

Next Of Kin To Be Polled On Burials

Atlanta, Ga.—Next of kin of American soldiers buried overseas will be polled after the war as to their wishes regarding final disposition of the bodies.

If more than 70 per cent of the requests in any one theater ask that the bodies be returned all of the soldiers dead in that area will be returned, according to Col. Robert P. Harbold, director of the War Department Memorial Division. If less than 70 per cent, only the bodies requested will be returned.

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Albany Guard Company Has Fine Record

By SGT. GRAHAM WEBB

Albany.—It was in July 1940 that Shackelford County set up its Defense Co-Ordinating Committee—and Albany's present Company B, 10th Battalion, State Guard was an organized and drilling company of infantry in November 1940, several months before we thought of the Japs sneaking in to hit us in the middle of the night.

A company of 70 men was organized and when the Defense Guard inspectors came around for the U. S. Army they granted a charter to the Albany company in April 1941, with Capt. D. F. Morris, C. O.

It was a well organized company that took over the guard detail, the rescue and restoration in Albany flood of June 10, 1941, and the entire investment in the company was repaid for many a month.

Company E was the beginning of basic training for many a lad from Albany going into the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Corps, and saved many a hard step, right face, left face, 'bout face for men who left for services—many of them had never had a day of military training until in the home guard unit.

When the Japs hit in December 1941 and we "knew" they were coming in through Mexico and Albany was the central target—with gasoline and oil fields nearby—the rubber squeeze came on rapidly and every night for months two guardsmen took the night patrol, assisting the county sheriff's office, controlling the night traffic, and no telling how many valuable tires were saved by the nightly patrol. It was all free protection for the populace.

The tightening of the war job and fighting a losing battle in the Pacific saw the State Guard reach its peak enlistments in the summer of 1942, with 75 enrolled in Company E, replacements for 30 members who had gone into service, and with more men leaving the company had gradually been depleted.

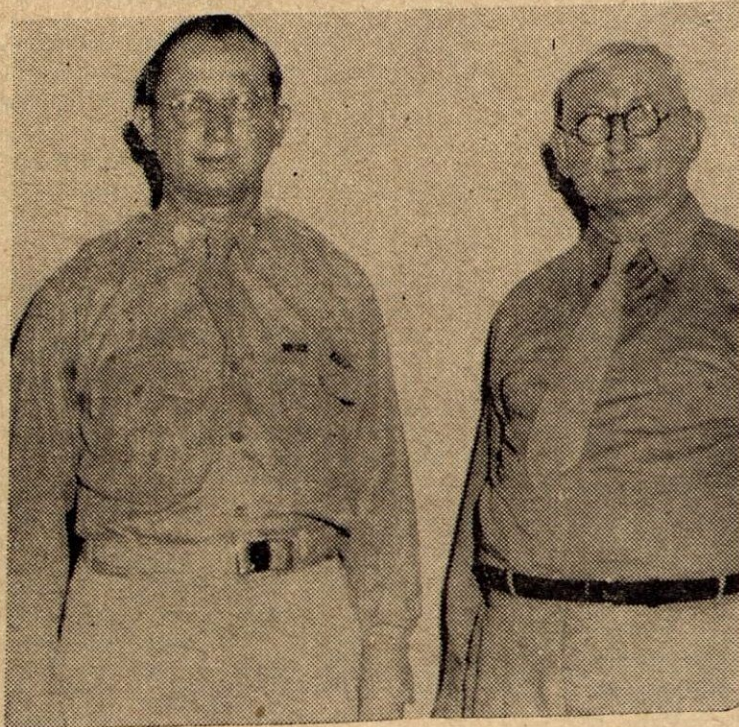
In September 1942 Capt. D. F. Morris moved to Abilene and the battalion headquarters, and the present C. O., Capt. Daniel R. Harris, Lts. John H. McGaughee and Carlton B. Browning, were posted.

Company E's men in the services have made some good records, and those at home have carried on the State Guard unit as a part of their loyalty and to be of service, at any time they might be called upon.

It has been a great source of pleasure to know that there was an organization that could be called upon in time of stress or in disaster, and in the records of the little Albany company—nearing its five years of activity—drilling each Monday night, hot and cold, wet or dry, with some program and phase of activity centering upon the controls and co-ordinations of the U. S. Army.

The company still serves as a training unit for young men who will be entering the services, and by reason of their State Guard, Albany men have made excellent progress.

48th Honors Custodian



Armory Custodian Is Given Honor By 48th Battalion

A special review honoring I. B. Parr, long-time armory custodian of the 48th (Marine) Battalion, Houston, was held recently in Sam Houston Park regular parade ground for the unit.

Mr. Parr was accompanied during the review by his son, Lt. Col. J. B. Parr, a veteran of 30 months in the Army signal corps in Europe, who was in Houston on furlough preceding his redeployment to the Pacific theater of war.

Maj. Byron T. Parr, signal officer of the Eighth Service Command in Dallas, and also a son of Mr. Parr, was unable to accept an invitation extended by Lt. Col. Julian A. Weslow, 48th Battalion commander, to attend the review.

Mr. Parr, who has held the post of armory custodian with the 48th Battalion for a number of years, was presented with an engraved certificate of merit for his loyal service to the organization by Lt. Col. Weslow, who welcomed Lt. Col. Parr to the review and expressed his appreciation and that of the battalion to Mr. Parr for the excellent and efficient manner in which he had maintained and protected guard property during his tenure



Lt. Col. J. B. Parr, left, poses with his father, I. B. Parr, while visiting the 48th armory located in the Houston City Auditorium. Below is Maj. Byron T. Parr, signal officer for the Eighth Service Command, Dallas, another of four sons Mr. I. B. Parr has in the service.

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assembled, Lt. Col. Parr said: "The Texas State Guard has unquestionably rendered one of the most patriotic and self-sacrificing duties of any group during this war. The men of the guard must continue to function even after hostilities have ceased in order that our communities may have an efficient and well trained military force ready to cope

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Units Of N. Y. Guard Attend Summer Camp

Units of the New York Guard are now in summer camp at Camp Smith, near Peekskill, where a very intensive training program has been in progress since early June. Here in the state camp, not far across the Hudson river from West Point, practically all of the officers and enlisted men of this fine military organization are receiving twelve days of interesting and worthwhile training, with all personnel receiving regular Army pay and allowances during such attendance.

Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum is the commanding general of the New York Guard, with a staff of fine officers to assist him in administration and training. Gen. Drum's chief of staff is Brig. Gen. G. A. Herbst; aide and military secretary, Lt. Col. William H. Kelly; G-1 section, Lt. Col. John J. Kelly; G-2 and P.R.O. section, Lt. Col. Robert K. Haas, with two majors assisting; G-3 section, Col. Clement H. Wright, assisted by Col. John W. Foos; G-4 section, Col. Clarence Lininger. Headquarters is located in New York City.

Strength 19,000

Authorized strength of the New York Guard is approximately 24,000, and present actual strength is about 19,000. The New York Guard is organized in brigades, with three in New York, one in Albany, and one in Buffalo. Each brigade has within its organization a headquarters and headquarters company, numbering 16 officers and 85 enlisted men, and including staff sections, communications section, a scout car platoon, and a pool of five truck companies, each truck company with five officers, 90 enlisted men, and 25 trucks each; four infantry regiments. The regiment has a staff section, service unit, machine gun platoon with six guns, medical detachment of 34 men, plus three infantry battalions. The battalion contains headquarters and headquarters detachment, with three rifle companies, each containing four officers and 78 enlisted men.

The New York Guard contains one regiment and one separate battalion of Negro troops, largely composed of business and professional men, and these units have attained a high standard of proficiency. The brother of Paul Robeson, singer, is chaplain for one of these units.

Training, both for higher units and smaller ones, is no easy task for this giant organization. Fre-

New O. & T. Officer



Capt. W. G. Buck has been named operations and training officer of the Seventh Battalion, Texas State Guard, at Houston.

Capt. Buck was recently promoted from first lieutenant. He had served as intelligence and communications officer of the Seventh Battalion for better than a year. He moves up with a background of training in that section and in the Operations and Training section.

Capt. Buck enlisted in Company A of the Seventh some three years ago. He was promoted to sergeant in that unit and was drafted to serve on Col. Chiodo's staff. He has won many friends in the guard, always smiling, working behind the scenes without any fanfare.

quent command post exercises for higher units are held, to train staffs and headquarters units in their duties, in between summer camps. In addition to the training in summer camps, armory training goes on through the year, supplemented by battalion and regimental operations.

Staff Officer School

An engineer officer is detailed to state headquarters, brigades, regiments, and battalions. A school for engineer officer personnel is also held. The Second Service Command maintains a school for staff officers and officers of field grade, which runs all year long. This course, given at Hackettstown, N.

J., starts on Sunday afternoon and runs through an entire week. Subjects covered include: duties of unit commanders, personnel, intelligence, operations and training, and supply officers, messages, command post functions, field orders, battalion tactics, riot control, use of chemicals in riot duty, training programs, with tactical walks and problems.

Officers are paid regular Army pay with allowances, for attendance at this school, and the officers pay their own mess bills.

The adjutant general's department has little connection with the operation of the New York Guard, its function limited mainly to relations with the State and Federal government in the matter of supply and equipment. Certain other facilities are rendered by the AGD, such as the procurement and storage of rations at the State Hospital, Brooklyn, for use of the New York City units. Detailed menus are prepared for emergency duty, and the foods with which to prepare these menus are available for delivery to the higher units, who in turn break it down for distribution to regiment and battalion levels.

Little West Point Is Conducted In Germany

With the 3rd Infantry Division, 7th Army, Germany.—Combat-wise non-coms approve of the Little West Point they are attending as a transition school to make them as good garrison leaders as they were in the many campaigns with their veteran division.

With the purpose of aiding the NCOs in making the change from combat to the Army of Occupation, the school was set up under orders of Col. Charles S. Johnson, division chief of staff, and is being run on a "West Point basis" by Capt. Harold J. Saine, a company commander in the 30th Regiment, and a West Point alumnus.

Junior Colleges Act To Help Vets

Chicago—Junior colleges throughout the nation are setting up programs designed to help veterans, particularly those who have not completed high school, get started in their education.

According to C. S. Morris, chairman of the American Association of Junior colleges, every advantage will be given the returning veteran.

At the present time the committee is studying plans to enroll war veterans on their discharge so they will not have to wait until the regular term begins.

Other problems being considered include the amount of credit to be given for courses taken under the Army specialized training program and for service training. The veterans will get as much credit as can be given, the junior colleges have indicated.

The junior colleges are deter-

Home Station Of Company Is Changed

The home station of Company D, 49th Battalion, TSG, has been changed from Dickinson to League City, effective July 20, a directive from the adjutant general's department has announced.

mined to help the veterans who feel they are too old for high school and yet would like to continue their education. The junior colleges will offer these individuals either preparation for a job or additional education.

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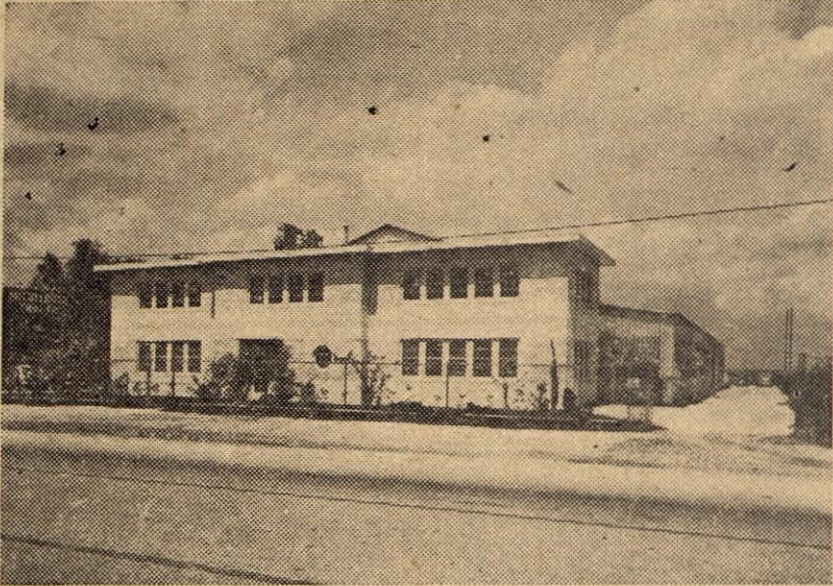
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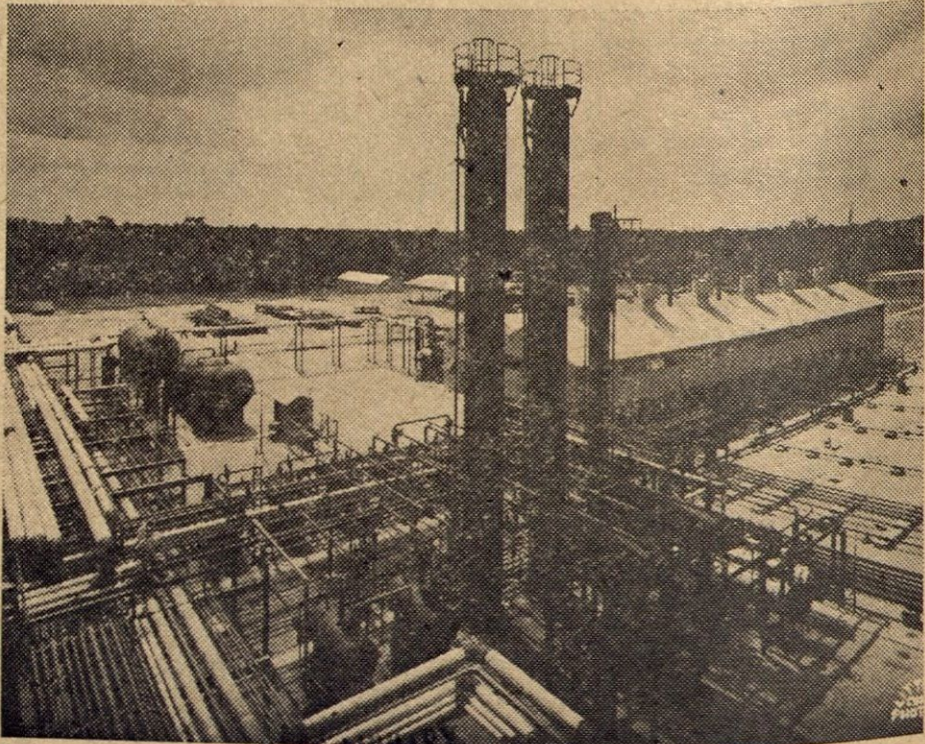
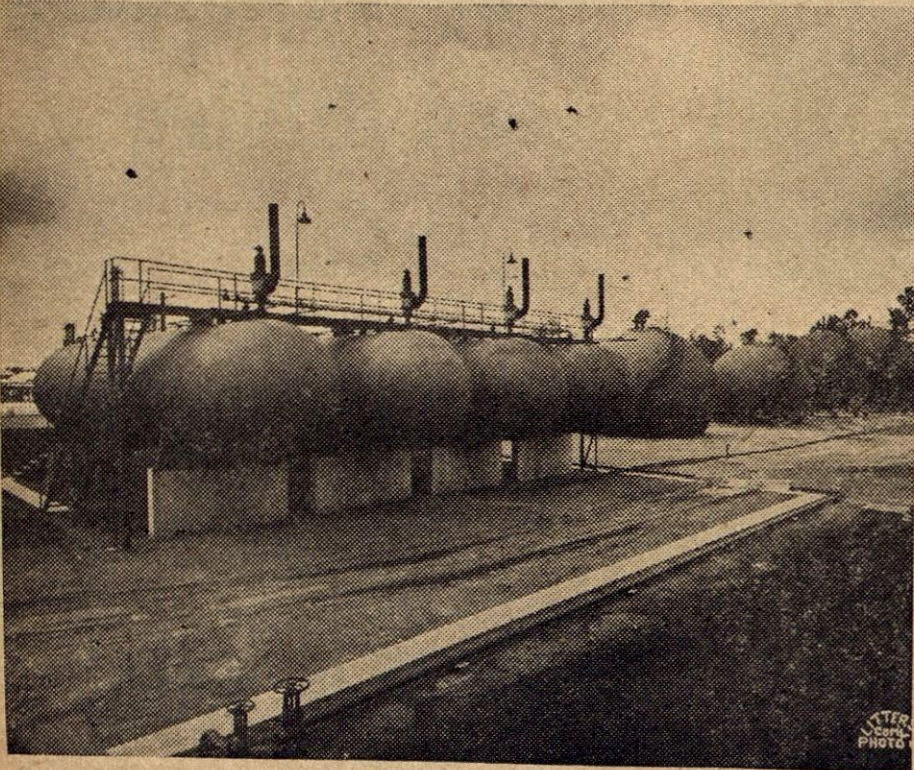
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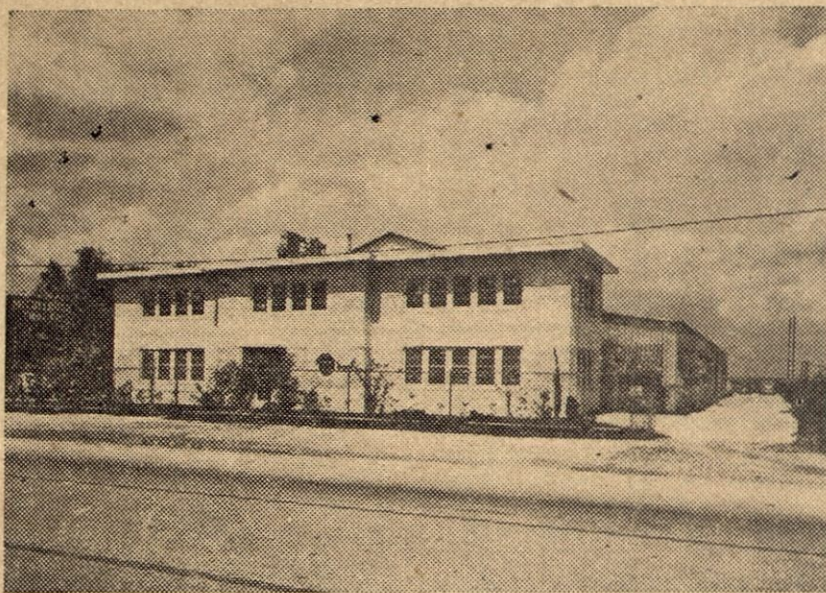
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